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CHITTOOR,
8th July 1942.

B. S. BALIGA,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

LETTERS TO FORT ST. GEORGE 1762-63

Volume No. XLIII.

No. 1.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

On Examining the Consultation of this Place for the Month of January 1758, which were brought hither by Mr. Ardley, it appears that Mr. Alexander Gray paid into Cash here the sum of $ 260–80 being the Ballance he stood indebted to the Estate of Mr. John Gray deceased, and on recourse to the Letters which are now likewise on the Spot, we find that in an address to you of the 23d. of January in the same Year, we advised you of having wrote off that sum to Accot. Current Fort St. George referring Captn. Forrest to whom Letters of administration has been granted out of the Mayors Court at Madrass to your Honour &ca. Council for Payment thereof; Both the Extracts for your better information are hereunto annexed. Captain Forrest being at present here has made application to Us for said $ 260–80 whose Tittle thereto being just, as well as legal, we could not hesitate to pay him, were we assured that our Reference to you on that Matter had not been complied with we therefore desire you will please to order the same to be reexamined & adjusted, and remain with respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servants

Roger Carter.
Richd. Wyatt.
Joseph Darvall.
Robert Nairne.
John Gayer.
John Herbert.

Fort Marlbro'
23d. September 1762.

Extract from Fort Marlbro' Consultations 17th. January 1758.

A Letter from Mr. Alexander Gray is read as enter'd hereafter, accompanying some accounts relating to the Estate of Mr. Jno. Gray deceased & pays in on Acct. thereof S.D. 260–80 being the Ballance, in his Hands. Agreed therefore that the Presidency be advised hereof, & if they approve of it pay the same Mr. Thomas Forrest they having granted him Letters of Administration to the Estate out of the Mayors Court & that Mr. Alexr. Gray's Papers be returned to him, & he acquainted, that as to any demands—he may have on the Estate, it must be transmitted to his attorney at Fort St. George in order to recover Payment of the same from Mr. Forrest.

EXTRACT from Fort Marlbro' Letter to Madrass 23d. February 1758.

We have received ℔ 260–80 on account of the Estate of Mr. John Gray deceased and as we are informed there are some demands on that Estate at Madrass, and that you have granted the Administration thereof to Mr Thomas Forrest, we shall write that sum off to account Current Fort St. George.

Attested to be a true Copy.

FORT MARLBRO
22D. SEPTEMBER 1762.

JOHN HERBERT,
Secy.

No. 2.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Inclosed I have the honor to transmit you the accounts of this settlement for last Month.

The Arrack Farm at this Place expiring the 12th. of next Month I request your Orders concerning the reletting it.

Mr. Dolben informs me he shall have in readiness by the Middle of this Month upwards of one hundred & fifty Bales which he purposes to dispatch by the 20th. at farthest for Fort St. George, And I shall embrace that opportunity of sending up the Chay Goods provided at this Place which will be all embaled in two or three days.

I have taken the liberty of inclosing an Estimate of the Expence that will attend putting the works of this Place in a state of defence again and submit the same to your determination being very respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient humble Servant

MASULIPATAM
3D. JANUARY 1763.

JOHN PYBUS.

AN ESTIMATE of the Expence that will attend putting the works of MASULIPATAM in a state of Defence.

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
32 Cooleys @ 2 Anas ℔ day ..	.. 4	—	—			
40 Do. @ 10 ℔ Rupee.. ..	.. 4	—	—			
84 Do. @ 14 ℔ Do.	6	—	—			
8 Carpenters @ 4 Annas ℔ Day	2	—	—			
3 Bricklayers @ 4 Ditto ..	—	12	—			
Smith Bellows Boy &ca. ..	.. —	8	—			
Charcoal	—	4	—			
Rups. ..	17	8	—			
℔ Day is Rs. 525 ℔ Month for 12 months				6,300	—	—
30,000 Salt Sticks @ 16 ℔ Rupee				1,875	—	—
24,000 Bricks for mending Channels	96	—	—			
Chunum 30 Candys	90	—	—			
Jaggery 1½ Ditto	45	—	—			
Sand	25	—	—			
				256	—	—
Iron 10 Ditto				400	—	—
Palmears 3,600 @ Rs. 2 each				7,200	—	—
Rups. ..				16,031	—	—

MASULIPATAM, 3RD JANUARY 1763.

No. 3.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Enclosed is Duplicate of our last, since, when, not having received any Letters from you nor any of our Hon'ble Masters Ship Admiral Pocock the 12th. Instant which compleats the Number destined to this Presidency this season.

Agreeable to what we advised your Honor &ca. the Earl of Elgin left this Port for Europe the 21st. Ultimo, & very fortunately fell in with the Admiral Pocock a few Days afterwards.

Bombay Castle
18th December 1762.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servants
Cha: Crommelin.
W. A. Price.
J. Spencer.
Chas. Waters.
P. E. Wrench.
Robt. Holford.
Saml. Court.

No. 4.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Letter of the 13th. I have received the utmost deligence shall be used to dispatch the Osterly to you with as many Bales as possible & the Packing stuff.

I must request a further supply of Twenty or Thirty thousand Pagodas & am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
19th. January 1763.

No. 5.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Accounts of this settlement for last Month I now forward to you, together with a Petition received from the Merchants respecting their turned out Cloth remaining in the Warehouse here.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
21st. January 1763.

To the Worshipfull Charles Turner Esqr.
Chief of Cuddalore.

The humble Petition of the Companys Merchants.

Sheweth

Your Petitioners humbly assumes Liberty to acquaint your Worship, that the Company has all along been pleased to take the Turn'd out Cloth with an Abatement of Pags. 2 ℔ every Corge of Long cloth & Pags. 1 for Salempores; Your Petitioners hath now a Quantity of Turn'd out cloth to the Amount of Pags. 12257 remaining in their hands which they beg you will please to take in at the Rate abovementioned, as they cannot dispose of them at present to others to Pay in their Ballance.

All which your Petitioners refers to your Consideration & humbly Prays you will grant their Request as they have greatly suffer'd the late Revolutions of the French which Favour will in Duty bind your Worships Petitioners.

Cuddalore
21st. January 1763.

Ever to pray
Bowani Suncaria.
Saddasheve Row.
Streeshilaputy.
Irshepa Chitty.
Nella Chitty.

Turned out Cloth Vizt.	pieces
Long Cloth Fine	270
Do. Salem	540
Do. Chinamanaickpollam	1030
Do. Woriarpollam	1658
Do. Midling	720
Salempores Midling	2060

No. 6.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Honor &ca. Favour of the 24th. Ultimo arrived with me the 10th. Instant. The Merchants have at length agreed to furnish Cloths of the same quality and for the same Prices, as mention'd therein, without any Consideration for Cooley hire.

I beg leave to assure your Honor &ca. that I have no Intention to receive any Cloths at this Place that can so conveniently or cheaply be carried to Bandarmalanka Factory, for it is not only far more troublesome for the Upparra Merchants to carry their Cloth there on account of the many Rivers they have to pass, but more expensive, the Cooley amounting to Ten Annas a Corge more and the taking their Assistance away from this Settlement must necessarily render its Investment deficient, as the Boney Country produces neither Fine nor Midling Cloths and the Tooney not sufficient of those kinds to proportion the Ordinary which can be collected out of both of them, consequently my chief Dependance for the Fine & Midling Cloths must be on Uppairra which Circumstances I hope will induce your Honour &ca. to permit those Merchants to continue to do Business for this Places as usual, in which case I am promised fourteen Hundred Bales in the year, but otherwise I cannot answer for the Quantity or Quality of my Provision, though your Honor &ca. may depend on my exerting myself to the utmost in executing such orders as you may think proper to send me.

I am with the greatest Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. & most Obd. hble Servant
Thos. Heath.

Vizagapatam
31st. December 1762.

P.S.—The enclosed Letter the Upparra Merchants desired me to send to your Honor &ca.

From the Companys Merchants at Woppara to the Northward.

Mr. Thomas Heath was pleased to acquaint us that after we had delivered the Goods for the Money which was already advanced to us we should deliver the rest of the Goods at Bandarmalanka & added that he received orders upon this subject, we beg leave to inform your Honour that for many years we always delivered our Calicoes at Vizagapatam and not in any other Ports. As there are 5, or 6, Rivers between Bandarmalanka and Uppara and as it will cost great pains & Expence we cannot undertake to Deliver the Goods at Bandarmalanka and hope therefore that the Company will be so favourable as to order the Goods to be received at Vizagapatam according to the usual Custom, if you grant this request, we shall deliver the Goods at such Prices as are given at Bandarmalanka please to take the foregoing into your consideration and send your orders that the Goods may be delivered at Vizagapatam.

Signed by

Gadang Davalloo.
Vancaya Lechemy Narsoo.
The X mark of Cota Samboo
Ditto of Dayam Balaya.
Signed by Lagg Chitty Pattachem.
Ditto Jagoo Chitty.

No. 7.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We last had the pleasure to address you the 18th. Instant and have since been favoured with your Letter of the 16th. Ultimo.

We are sorry to perceive our Honble Masters Ships Walpole & Houghton were not arrived with you as the former left Dela Goa the 4th. August and the Latter sail'd from Spithead with the Ships for this Presidency the 9th. May and parted with them in the Lattiude of 5°. N°. to the Westward of the Cape, we hope however they are by this time safely imported as well as the Earl of Ashburnham which the Clive left at Dela Goa the 13th. of September.

The Brittannia Snow arrived here the 30th. Ulto. & your Honour &ca. may rely on your calling upon the Commander in regard to the extraordinary Behaviour you complain of, and should therefore be glad your Honour &ca. would transmit us copies of the Orders you gave him and advise us when he left Allemparva.

We are

Bombay Castle
4th. January 1763

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Servants

Cha: Crommelin.
W. A. Price.
J. Spencer.
Cha: Waters.
Robert Holford.
Samuel Court.

No. 8.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been duely honored with your Commands of the 5th. Instant which came to hand as I was on my return from Bandarmalanka where I had been for a few days to discourse with the Merchants make my Observations on the Investment providing there and the state and condition of that Settlement what occurred on this Visit worthy your Notice I shall first take the Liberty of communicating & then reply to your said Commands.

On my Arrival at Bandarmalanka my attention was first engaged in examining the Different Sortments of Cloth brought in there which I have the Pleasure to acquaint you I found to be of a very substantial good Fabrick and as the Number of Punjums each sortment is by contract to consist of is distinguished by as many red stripes wove into the Cloth at the extreme end of it, there can be no imposition in this Respect but what may with very little attention be detected, which before this Practice was introduced could not be so readily done. I find however that notwithstanding this Precaution and the great Difference made in the Prices of the sevral sortments of Cloth between N°. 1 and 2 in order to promote the improvement of the Manufacture that the Merchants bring in chiefly the two lowest numbers of the fine and ordinary Long Cloths, but of the midling in Proportions nearly equal exceeding if any thing in the quantity of Number one, whereby it should seem, that although there is a great Deduction in the Price of N°. 1 and 2 of the fine Cloth, yet as there is likewise a Difference of three and a half Punjams in the Manufacture the Merchant finds his advantage in bringing in the second Number, this

observation holds good likewise though not in the same Degree, with respect to the Ordinary Cloth, I therefore would with submission propose that in all future Contracts, the Difference should ony be in the Prices of the several numbers of each assortment of Cloth and not in the Punjums but that all which was brought in of each sort should be of one established Punjum that is to say all the fine Cloth to be of 24 Punjums all the midling 18 Punjums and all the Ordinary 16 Punjums which should be sorted to different numbers and accounted for with the Merchant accordingly at certain stipulated prices for each number this woud in my opinion, be the most effectual method for establishing the Cloth manufactury on the best footing as it would then be the Merchants Interest to bring in all his Cloth to sort to N°. 1. There will be as I before advised upwards of one hundred and fifty Bales shipped off from thence by the 20th. of the Month, about thirty of which will be put on board brown owing to the want of hands to cure it in time for as the Investment was set on foot late in the season no Cloth came in till the latter end of Novr. and as there had been little or no Employment for Washers before, there were only ten or a dozen in the Place; the number is now augmented to near two hundred, so that all the Cloth that may be brought in hereafter shall be sent up bleached, but there is a want of about thirty or forty washing Stones which being to be procured of a smoother better kind at Madrass than this way I am to request your Honor &ca. will be pleased to furnish, and now I am on this subject I must take the Liberty of representing how very insufficient the present allowance of two Packers is for the Bussyness of that settlement and to desire your Permission to entertain four more making six in the whole which although not charged have been employed since the Investment has been coming in.

As the Merchants on first setting the Investment on foot had contracted to deliver 200 Bales by the middle of this month, I sent for them to demand their Reasons for not Complying with such Contract who alledged that when they entered into that Contract it was agreed that a quarter Part of the amount of the Goods contracted for should be advanced them, which not having been done, they were unable to bring in the Quantity of Cloth stipulated, I then asked them whether if they were well supplyed with Cash hereafter, they would undertake to compleat one thousand Bales with what they had already delivered by the beginning of September and received for Answer (upon my assurances of furnishing them with Money that they would engage to bring in that quantity by the Time limited, which I am in hopes they will perform, as I have lately sent Mr. Dolben twelve Thousand Pagodas which with fifteen he was before supplied with, is nearly half of the estimated amount of his investment, and the beginning of next Month I shall be liable to furnish him more fully.

Although your Orders of the 5th. Instt. did not reach me before I left Bandarmalanka, yet as I was furnished with the List of Investment you had agreed on, to be provided in these Parts I took the Opportunity of my being there to discourse with the Merchants on the subject of the Provision of the quantity of Super fine long Cloth, Moorees & Izzarees therein specifyed, but could not for some time bring them to any Proposals after much conversation however I at length prevailed over Lachim Chitty Erapah one of the Principal among them to undertake the Provision of the whole Quantity of the following Qualities & at the undermention'd Prices Vizt.

			Covd. L. Cd. B.		
800 Long Cloth	Super fine of	32 Punjm.	72 2¼ @	P 100 ℔ Corge	
800 Morees	ditto.	32	28 2 @	40 ℔ D°.	of a Thick substanial Fabrick &even Threads.
2,500 ditto	Midling	30	28 2 @	35℔D°.	
4,000 ditto	Ordinary	28	28 2 @	30℔D°.	
1,500 ditto	Fine	30	28 2½ @	40℔D°.	of a fine thread & thinner Fabrick for.
1.000 ditto	Ordinary	28	28 2 @	30℔D°.	
500 ditto	Lampasses	30	15 2½ @	2½℔D°.	

	Cd.	Co. Inch.	
400 Izzarees superfine 3 Threads	16 Long	2 2 Broad	@ 40 Corge

the whole to be sorted to two Numbers &c^{a}. Deduction of 10 ℔ Ct. to be made on N^{o}. 2 I have ordered Musters of each Assortment to be prepared which shall be sent as soon as possible for your Honors &c^{a}. determination, this Contract having been made before the Receipt of your Orders the Form thereby prescribed of giving Publick Notice of the Quantity & Quality wanted that Proposals might be delivered in by such who chose to undertake the Provision of them, was not observed, but as I flatter myself it is an advantageous one to my Honble Masters and my Zeal to promote this Branch of their concerns was my sole inducement in the making it, I hope to be excused having entered into before your orders reached me which should you disapprove may be disannulled as no advance has yet been made on that account. The several Musters of Long Cloth & Morees mention'd in your Commands to be sent are yet not come to hand. I shall write immediately to Bandarmalanka to set about providing a few Peices of 46 Punjum Morees and to advise at what prices they are to be procured at the Foot of the List of Investment transmitted me I observe a few Bales or Ordinary Chints are ordered to be provided at Narsapore on Morees of 28 Covids Long and 2 broad; I should be glad to be informed whether these are meant exclusive of what is mentioned in the foregoing part of the List or whether any part of those Goods are intended for that purpose.

As it has been usual to make the Merchants a present of a few yards of Broad Cloth and there being none remaining here I have enclosed an Indent for the service of this Place at Bandarmalanka which I request your Compliance with.

During my stay at Bandarmalanka application was made to me by the People attending at the Rivers in the Country where the Merchants pass their Cloth and from the Collectors of the Revenues and other officers belonging to the Circar for their annual Presents, I gave them but little Encouragement to hope the Continuance of them but as some of the Juncaneers in the Country have begun to stop the Merchants Goods which I was under a necessity of complaining of to the Zemidar whose district they were passing through to get them cleared, it is not unlikely but others may pursue the same measure unless the customary allowances are made them. Inclosed comes an account of the Presents Annually made to them the Companys Merchants & River People, for your Honour &c^{as}. Determination.

I cannot help here observing to you the very bad condition of the Godowns at Bandarmalanka, which being all built of unburnt Brick swarm with white Ants and being covered with small sticks instead of Reepers and badly tyled are not secure against the Weather so that there is no Place where the Bales can be lodged in with safety, nor any indeed large enough to contain what may be expected by September, the one at present occupied for that Purpose is built of Mud and belongs to a black Merchant there; it will hold about one hundred and fifty or two hundred, and serves only to lodge them in, till they can be shipped off which it is conveniently situated for being near the River but it is by no means a Place of proper security and as I am in hopes the Investment from thence may be very considerably augmented, I hope your Honour &c^{a}. will see the necessity of having such Buildings erected as are necessary for lodging the Goods in with security and give such Directions in Consequence as you may seem proper.

I have given notice here conformably to your orders of the different assortments of Goods provided at this Place with the quantity wanted and the quality they are to be of, that Proposals may be made by such who choose to undertake the Provision of them which when received shall be immediately forwarded for your Determination.

Your orders in consequence of the remarks made by the Committee of Accounts on the Acco^{ts}. of this Settlement shall be punctually complied with.

Your Honour &c^{a}. may be assured that I shall be particularly attentive in taking every means in my Power to obtain Payment from the Masulipatam & Ponracca Salt Farmers of the Ballance due from them to the Honble Company.

Mr. Heath has made application to me for a supply of ten thousand Pagodas for the service of his Investment which not being able to send him I take this Opportunity of giving your Honor &ca. Information thereof that he may be furnished from Madrass.

Mr. Richard Brickenden having enjoyed but a very indifferent state of Health at this Place is desirous of removing to Fort St. George which he requests your Honour &ca. will be pleased to indulge him in, and in such case I take the Liberty of requesting your Honour &ca. will be pleased to appoint another assistant in his stead.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your very Obedt. Humble Servant
John Pybus.

Masulipatam
19th. January 1763.

Masulipatam 19th. Jany. 1763.

Indent for Wares and Stores wanted at this Settlement.

Velvet Crimson and Green	2 Pieces
Broad Cloth.	
Superfine scarlet	5
Fine Do.	20
Ditto Emerald Green	15
Ditto Yellow	10
Aurora	10
Ordinary Green & Red	10
Perpetuanoes Scarlet	15
Yellow	15
Green	15
Imbossed Cloth	1
Do. Carpets	5
Stationary	1 Chest

John Pybus.

Account of Annual Presents made at Bandarmalanka Vizt.

Datcheram Phousdar.	
Aurora	6 Yards
Rosewater	2 Flasks
Brandy	4 Bottles
Do. Despondee.	
Ordinary	3 Yards
Juncaneers.	
Perpetuancœs	9 Yards
Ankata Kistna Rauze.	
Aurora	3 Do.
Rose Water	2 Flasks
Despondee.	
Ordinary	3 Yards
Juncaneer.	
Perpetuancœs	4½ Do.
Pennegundee Despondee.	
Ordinary	3 Do.
Juncanier.	
Perpetuanoes	4½ Do.
Muglatore Despondee.	
Aurora	6 Do.
Montchee.	
Ordinary	3 Do.

Junoaneers.		
Aurora	3	Yards.
Ordinary	3	D°.
Companys Merchants.		
Fine Scarlet	3	D°.
Ordinary	3	D°.
Gomastahs.		
Perpetuanoes	4½	D°.
River People.		
Watacodro	Mps.	1½
Condelessoram		2
Ingeram		2½
Cotto Pilla		2½
Chinlalanka		2
Bandamalanka		1½
Peroar 1 & Goree 1½		2½
Duddapetlo 1½ & Ramnapille		2½
Bandarmalanka 1 Narsapore		23
Pagodas ..		20

N°. 9.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c^a^. Council
at Fort S^t^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am honoured with your Commands of the 15 Instant and conformably thereto have given Publick Notice for receiving Proposals for renting the Arrack Farm the ensuing Year which when delivered in shall be forwarded as you have been pleased to direct.

The Vessell freighted with the Bales from Bandarmalanka anchor'd here yesterday and I now Dispatch her to your Honour &c^a^. with twenty two Bales of Chay Goods from this Place as ℘ Invoice and Bill of Lading inclosed. The Invoice & Bill of Lading for those from Bandarmalanka you will receive from M^r^. Dolben.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your very Obedient Humble Servant
John Pybus.

Masulipatam
23 January 1763.

N°. 10.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c^a^. Council
at Fort S^t^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed is Duplicate of what I wrote you by the Apollo Ketch with Invoice & second of Bill of Lading for the Bales consigned you on her. She left this Road yesterday morning.

Having conformably to your Directions given Publick Notice for receiving Proposals for reletting the arrack Farm the ensuing Year, the three Papers I have now the honour to inclose you were delivered me this day in Consequence the Persons they come from are

Taddahparrah Ramaniah the present Farmer who has always behav'd well and paid his rent regularly.

Meer Bauker, who was made Cutwall of this Place at the time Colonel Forde took it, in which Office he has behaved well and bears in general a good Character.

Cotawoo Chinniah a young Man, formerly a Servant to some of the French Officers of no substance, nor can I take upon me otherwise to recommend him.

The Bundle containing Musters mentioned in your Commands of the 5th. Instant is come to hand.

Accompanying this you will be pleased to receive Mr. Whitehills accounts of the Disbursements on account the Troops at Rajahmundry for last Month.

MASULIPATAM
25TH. JANUARY 1763.

I am with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient Humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

No. 11.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This waits on your Honour &ca. by the Apollo Ketch Hans Moore Master on board whom I have Laden on Account & Risque of the Honble Company one hundred and fifty Bales of Calicoes as ℘ Invoice & Bill of Lading Enclosed

BANDARMALANKA
21ST. JANUARY 1763.

I am with the greatest Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

No. 12.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Mr. Pybus having acquainted that the state of his Cash will not admit of his supplying me for the service of the Investment and being in immediate want of a sum to discharge the Ballances already due to the Merchants and for a large advance to them I am to request you would be pleased to lodge a sufficiency with him to answer those purposes.

VIZAGAPATAM
19TH. JANUARY 1763.

I am with the greatest Esteem
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. & most Obliged Humble Servant
THOMAS HEATH.

No. 13.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

In my last I forgot to Inclose your Honor &ca. the Months accounts for November & December. You will receive them herewith.

I am with the greatest Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most Obliged Servt.

Thos. Heath.

Vizagapatam
20th. January 1763.

No. 14.

To the Honorable George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Favor of the 4th. Instant. A List of Goods to be provided at this Settlement (in which the Beeteelas your Honour &ca. are pleased to order was mention'd) having been sent me some Months past, I have provided the greatest part of the Plain and flowered which will wait on you with the Bales in a few days they are the best I could bring them to make having turn'd upon their Hands great numbers in taking them in the Price of the Plain one with another Current Pagodas 3–27 ℔ piece and the Price of the Flowerd Current Pagodas 5 – – ℔ Piece which I flatter myself your Honor &ca. will think pretty reasonable. The Handkerchiefs shall be made agreeable to your Orders.

I have received the Remarks made by the Committee appointed to examine my accounts and have only to say in my vindication in respect to the extra Charge of the Gun Peons, that as your Honor &ca. was pleased to mention in the Minutes of Consultation for fixing the Establishment here, that in future Two hundred Gun Peons be kept instead of seapoys, I imagined you meant that Number exclusive of their Officers, and no notice being taken of the charge for so many Months confirm me in that opinion I therefore hope Disbursement has been regularly made by me that your Honor &ca. will be pleased to excuse me from paying that sum into the Company Cash. The Charge for Pallankeen Boys I imagined you did not intend to strike off as it was not charged under the Head of Servants Wages but that of Charges General that of the Velvet for the Pallankeen had always been customary, and that of the Batta to the Gun Peons at the out Towns I found necessary to prevent Disbursements there nevertheless I am willing to pay the amount of these articles into the Companys Cash on receipt of your Orders to do so though I could wish your Honor &ca. would be pleased to pardon these Errors and you may depend on my being strictly punctual to the Regulations in future.

The extra Charge of Six Packers and an Assistant Bramany was not made till the getting in of the Investment made it absolutely necessary for which reason I hope your Honor &ca. will permit them to be continued on the like occasions as a less Number of Packers will not be sufficient to assist at Measuring & sorting the cloth when Brown resorting it after it is washed & Embale it, and one Bramany is not sufficient when an Investment is going on to do the Business of the Settlement.

The Serjt. Major was paid agreeable to Lieutenant Smiths Report of the pay they received in other Garrisons inclusive the stoppages made for their Cloathing it shall be alter'd in future and the Names of the Europeans inserted in the Months account as shall likewise the Particulars of the Batta to and from sundry Places.

It has always been customary here to pay Five Madrass Pagodas to a European who renews his Time for three years in future it shall be alter'd to Five Current Pagodas and the mans name with the Name of the ship he arrived in and the year when inserted in the account I shall enlist no more till I have sent this advice and received your Honor &cas. order to do so.

The accounts for November and Decr. has been sent, those for the Present Month shall be made out agreeable to the Method you are pleased to order (which I presume is only to be followed in the Monthly Journal Parcels not in the Annual Books) and sent together with the Months accounts to be form'd for a standard.

I before acquainted your Honor &ca. that the Morattas from Cuttack had entered the Province they still continue in it, the Vizanagaram Rajah is gone against them but as they have been joined by the Rajah Narrain Dieu the Event is uncertain in the mean time Parties of them penetrate far into the Province, burning and destroying where ever they come which alarms the Inhabitants greatly prevents the Merchants from Collecting much Cloth. I am with the greatest Esteem

VIZAGAPATAM — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

25TH. JANUARY 1763. — Your most Obedt. & most Obliged Humble Servant

THOMAS HEATH.

No. 15.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your favor of the 21st. Ultimo ℔ Ship Osterly which I now dispatch to you Laden with Bales Guns, and Packing Stuff Invoice and Bill of Lading of which shall be forwarded to you tomorrow.

CUDDALORE — I am with Respect

1ST. FEBRUARY 1763. — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Humble Servant

CHARLES TURNER.

No. 16.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Robert Slooper Esqr. formerly a Counsellor in the Honble English East India Company's service at Cuddalore died here the 8th. Instant. He retired to Tranquebar after the surrender of the said place in 1758, and the bad state of his Health allowed him not to stir out since that time. He lived always

with a black Woman, who, as she says is his lawful Wife, and left with her four Children His Estate Immediately after his Death, was taken care of by Justice, and sealed up, accordingly to the Danish Laws, but his Wife tells that the greatest part of his fortune is in England, and that he has made his Will in a lawfull manner after the English Constitutions. We thought it HONBLE SIR & SIRS a proper attention due to you to inform you of those things, and to ask your advice if you think proper to take upon you the administration of the said Mr. Slooper Estate, which we, on our side should think much the best for the Estate itself, as subsisting chiefly in England and also for the Children and in that case, we shall accept your Directions to that purpose as on the contrary when it is left to us we shall administrate it accordingly to the Danish laws.

We have the honour to be with perfect Consideration and Esteem

FORT DANSBOROUGH
15TH. JANUARY 1763.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servants

H. ABBESTEE.
P. FALK.
J. H. GILLE.
C. F. HOYER.

No. 17.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your Letters of the 4 and 16th. October.

The Ships Houghton and Earl of Ashburnham are safely arriv'd in this River; the Packets for your Presidency by the former we now forward you by this Conveyance, we were however necessitated to open them to take out the Invoice and other papers relating to the Cargo, for our Guidance in landing our own Consignments and we shall inform you more particularly on this head when we have finished her Delivery.

This ship (the Houghton) The Honble the Court of Directors have enjoined us to Dispatch directly to China, but we can come to no certain Determination thereon unteel we see whether the Walpole and ships from Bombay arrive, to furnish us with a sufficiency of Tonnage for our Investment to Europe an[d] Transporting the West Coast stores. If these Circumstances falling out to our Wish should enable us to comply with the above mention'd Orders we shall forward the Houghtons Consignments for your Presidency on board the Clinton which ship we purpose to Dispatch to You about the middle of January with such a quantity of Salt Petre and Bale Goods as we can afford her to be filled up at your Place and finally dispatch'd home.

By this Vessell we likewise send you a Packet from Bombay received ℔ Ship Windsor we have taken out the Invoice and Bill of Lading for our Government in landing the Stores and we shall reship the same to your Honour &ca. by the Clinton excepting such part as We may find it absolutely necessary to detain here.

FORT WILLIAM
21ST. DECEMBER 1762.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servants

P. AMYATT.
W. HAY.
H. WATTS.

No. 18.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote you under Date the 21st. Ultimo (whereof Duplicate now goes Enclosed) & have since Received your Letter of the 16th. November.

This accompanys the Packet for your Presidency by the ship Earl of Ashburnham which we open'd to take out the Invoice & Bill of Lading & shall transmit them to you by the Vessel which may Carry you the Consignments by her for the Coast.

We purpose giving the Clinton her Dispatches by the 1st. of February so that you may be prepared to expedite her finally for Europe.

We are

Fort William
4th. January 1763.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Servants

P. Amyatt.
W. Hay.
H. Watts.

No. 19.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This serves to advise your Honour &ca. that we have received certain Intelligence of a French squadron consisting of 2 ships & a Frigate, being cruizing in Ballasore Road and which we are sorry to find have already taken several trading Vessels (particularly the Snow Nancy Captn. Wintle) by whom we transmitted you the Houghtons Packet as well as the Walpole Indiaman from Europe.

As we think there is a great probability of these ships continuing a considerable time longer on this station we must request you will convey the most speedy advice of this News to the Admiral and the Commander of any other Divisions of his Majestys Fleet, that they may take the proper Measures for dispersing them without loss of Time; as if they are permitted to remain undisturbed they will totally prevent us from dispatching our Honble Masters ships to Europe and prove of the greatest annoyance to our Country Trade.

We must further request that you will take such Methods as may be in your power for giving Intelligence of this Event to the Companys ships expected from Bombay or any other Vessels bound to this Port to prevent their falling into the Enemys hands. To which Effect we have likewise wrote to the Chiefs at Vizagapatam & Masulipatam.

The accompanying Letters for the Admiral please to forward along with your Intelligence.

We are

Fort William
12th. January 1763.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Humble Servants

P. Amyatt.
John Carnac.
W. Hay.
H. Watts.

No. 20.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been favor'd with your Letters of the 1st. & 5th. Instant with the List of the Investment for this Year and agreeable to your Directions have summoned the Merchants and have made them acquainted with every Particulars of the Orders you have sent relating to the Investment, they promise to deliver in their proposals in two or three days, which as soon as received shall be forwarded to you.

Cuddalore
9th. February 1763.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
Charles Turner.

No. 21.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Enclosed are the Proposals I this day received from the Merchants for providing the Investment for the present year together with their accounts current the Ballance of which they request may be carried to their new contract being unable to pay it into Cash as they expected the Investment was to last for one Year they having large sums advanced to the Weavers in the Country and much turn'd out Cloth which the Merchants promise me shall be sent to Madras as opportunitys may offer to be there sorted.

Cuddalore
13th. February 1763.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
Charles Turner.

No. 22.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Captain Douglas of the King of Prussia Snow having call'd at this Port I have taken the Opportunity of lading on board her fifty three Bales of the Honble Companys Cloth as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed being all he was able to take in.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
16 February 1763

No. 23.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

By the Amelia Snow Henry Alexander Master you will receive one hundred and fifty four Bales of Callicoes as ℔ Invoice & Bill of Lading Inclosed.

Your Honor &ca. will observe there is a difference between the Cloth now sent and those provided at Bandarmalanka as follows Vizt.

Vizagapatam	.. Long Cloth	.. Ordinary	..	N°. 1 One Punjum or half a Call less Threads and three Pagodas ℔ Corge less in the Price than the Ordinary Long Cloth N°. 1 provided at Bandarmalanka & equal in Threads & Price to the N°. 2 provided there.
Ditto.	.. Ditto.	.. Ditto.	..	N°. 2 One Punjum or half a Call less in Threads & One Pagoda eighteen Fanams less in Price than the Long Cloth Ordinary N°. 2 provided at Bandarmalanka.
Ditto.	.. Ditto.	.. Ditto.	..	N°. 1 Two Punjums or one Call less in Threads & six Pagodas ℔ Corge less in Price than the Fine Long Cloth No. 2 provided at Bandarmalanka.
Ditto.	.. Ditto.	.. Ditto.	..	N°. 2 Half a Punjum or one Quarter of a Call more in Threads and at the same Price as the Fine Long Cloth No. 2 provided at Bandarmalanka. The other Numbers not mention'd here and the Long Cloth Midling have the same number of Threads & are at the same Prices as those provided at Bandarmalanka in future the Investment will Consist of Cloths of the same Number of Threads and be provided at the same Prices as those at Bandarmalanka.

You will likewise observe there is a greater Quantity of the Fine and Midling Cloths sent (in Proportion to the Ordinary) than ought to be, which has been owing to the Merchants advancing their Money for those kind of Cloths first and getting them in before the Country was alarm'd by the Morattas, which Circumstance prevented them from sending in Ordinary in Proportion in time, I shall however take care to receive it in my next Provision; I am obliged to send the Beeteelas Brown there being no Washers here capable of curing them properly.

In my last I advised your Honor &ca. that the Rajah was march'd against the Morattas and Narrain Dieu, I have now the Pleasure to acquaint you that he has been successfull in Two or Three different Attacks upon them which has obliged them to seperate the Morattas have run off to Itchaporam. It is not yet known whether they will wait there for a Reinforcement out of the Cuttah Country to renew their attempt or entirely quit the Province.

I inclose your Honor &c^{a}. an Indent of Wares & Stores wanted at this settlement which I could be much obliged to you if you would be pleased to order may be sent me by the return of this Vessel particularly the Military Stores which the Place is very much in want of.

VIZAGAPATAM
22^{D}. FEBRUARY 1763.

I am with the greatest Esteem
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. & most Obliged Humble Serv^{t}.
THOMAS HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM,
24TH. JANRY 1763.

ACCOUNT OF WARES & STORES WANTED AT THIS SETTLEMENT.

BROAD CLOTH—			
Superfine Scarlet	Pieces 3		
Scarlet	D°. 3		
	—	6	Pieces.
BROAD CLOTH—			
Fine Yellow	1		
Blue	1		
Emerald Green	4		
	——	6	D°.
BROAD CLOTH ORDINARY —			
Red	2		
Blue	6		
Yellow	1		
Emerald Green	1		
	——	10	D°.
PERPETUANOES ORDINARY—	Reoes		
Red	3		
Blue	3		
Green	3		
	——	9	D°.
CAMBLETS—			
Red	1		
Blue	1		
	——	2	D°.
TAR	4	Barrels.	
PITCH	4	D°.	
EUROPE CANVAS	12	Bolts.	
PETTY MERCHANDIZE—			
Spectacles	12	Pr.	
Knives	20		
Seizars	20		
Looking Glasses small	12	Pr.	
Ditto large	1	Pr.	
GENERAL STORES—			
Sheet Lead	2	Cwt.	
Pump Leather	2	Backs.	
Deep Sea Lines	6		

GUNNERS STORES—		
Country Match	2	Candy.
Powder Horns	12	
Tin Tubes	500	
Cannon 6 Pounders	6	
Shott 12 lb.	100	
9	700	
6	800	
4	100	
3	900	
Gun Powder Fine	5	Barrels
D°. Canon	20	D°.
ARMOURY STORES—		
Flints	5000	
Muskets with Bayonets	100	
Brass Drum	1	
Drum Heads Braces &ca.—		
Sieves for Cleaning Gun Powder	4	
Lead for Grape Shott	4	Candy.

VIZAGAPATAM
24 JANUARY 1763.

N°. 24.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Enclosed you will be pleased to receive the accounts of this Settlement for last Month. They should have waited on you sooner, but have been delayed by transcribing and making the necessary Adjustments in the Bandarmalanka Accounts to make them correspond with the Books of this Settlement as shall be here after explained. Your Honour &ca. were advised from hence by Mr. Andrews under date the 16th. February 1760 with the Difficulties he laboured under regarding the Investment on account the fluctuating Exchange of Rupees for Madrass Pagodas; To which you were pleased to return the following answer We remark what you say "concerning the Loss which must accrue in exchanging your Rupees into Madrass Pagodas for the Investment and an answer thereto can only recommend to you to dispose of the Rupees on every-occasion to the best advantage possible with which we must rest satisfyed as we are unable to point out any method more to the Interest of the Company." In Consequence of which discretionary Orders, Pagodas were purchased with Rupees at the Buzar Exchange as occasion required and a Profit & Loss Entry made in the Cash account for the Loss or Gain this method was practised till the Arrival of Mr. Fairfield, who thought it more eligible to fix the value of the Madrass Pagoda in the Compys. Accounts at four Rupees without any regard to the Buzar Exchange, reducing the Rupees into Curr. Pagodas at the rate of 350 Rs. ℔ % Ps. as had been usually practised. The Exchange of Madrass Pagodas being thus established the Advances made to the Merchants were brought to account in the manner observed above, but Mr. Dolben not Having been apprised of this has in his accounts reduced the Madrass Pagodas advanced his Merchants for the Cloth brought in into Current at a Batta of 10 ℔ Cent, as your Honour &ca. will be pleased to observe by the Invoice accompanying the Goods consigned you by the Apollo Ketch, and which Example in the

hurry I was in to give the Vessell an expeditious Dispatch, I have very inattentively likewise followed in the Invoice of Goods laden on board her here but on making up the Merchants Accounts, and posting the Bandarmalanka accounts into the Books of this Settlement I discovered my mistake, as there appeared a Loss of Ps. 4 10 23 ℔ Cent, between bringing the Madrass Pagodas to account at Rs. 4 each & 350 Rups. ℔ % Current Pagodas and charging them only with a Batta of ten ℔ Ct. to reduce them into Current, I have therefore drawn out a General Invoice of the Goods laden on board the Apollo Ketch at this Place and Bandarmalanka correspondent to the first method which is conformable to our Books, and now inclose the same for your Inspection, whereby you will be pleased to observe the Goods appear to be so much ℔ Ct. dearer as the Difference above remarked amounts to, but this is no more than imaginary as it arises from the Cause abovementioned as however your Honor &ca. may not perhaps choose that the Goods should be charged with this Difference as the Prices of them are thereby seemingly enhanced, I shall be glad to be honoured with your Directions on this subject for my Guidance in the ensuing years Books, as in those for the Current year I presume you would have me conform to the Method they are at present kept in.

I was in hopes before now to have advised you with some certainty what success I was likely to meet with in the Provision of Chay Goods at this Place having given Publick notice immediately on the receipt of your orders of the 5th. Ulto. for receiving Proposals for the several sortments specifyed in the List then enclosed me but after waiting many days in Expectation of them, I found myself obliged to send for the Merchants who were employed in this Business last year to talk with them upon the Subject, when upon enquirying into the Reasons of their not having yet delivered in their Proposals for contracting for this Years Investment, they returned me for answer That they observed in the List of Goods advertised for this years Provisions the Romalls are ordered to be of 18 Punjums fine, 12 Covids long and only three quarters broad, which being of an assortment never yet provided in this part of the Country they were apprehensive they should not be able to procure any quantity of Thread sufficiently fine for such a Farbrick nor could they take upon them to say whether the Weavers here could manufacture Goods of that fineness properly or at what rate they could afford to undertake to provide them, till they had made a tryal, which they were about, and would produce me the Musters in eight or ten days when I should have their answer. This you shall be acquainted with so soon as I receive it, and the Musters they bring me shall be forwarded for your Inspection & Determination as this article constitutes the principal part of the Investment I thought it unnecessary to conclude any thing relating to the Collowapores & Sastracundies till I could agree for the whole as they are very inconsiderable and always to be procured.

I have had much trouble in endeavouring to obtain Payment from the Narsipore Renter of his last Kist for that Farm ending 28th. December 1762 which though for so trifling a sum as Rups. 500 I have not been able to accomplish Upon my first application to him on this account, he produced me an order from Mr. Andrews dated 14th. August 1761 for the Payment of Eight Rupees and an half ℔ Month (which I find has been divided between a Braminy, an old servant of the Compys at Maddepollam Factory and a Mahometan Priest belonging to Narsipore) amounting to Rs. As. 138 13 which he desired I would deduct from his Rent; This was undoubtedly a reasonable Request on his part, as he had Mr. Andrews order for the Payment of it wherein he is promised it shall be allowed him in his rent, but as I cannot find that Mr. Andrews had any authority from your Honour &ca, for making such Promise, I have refused to allow it him till I can be favored with your Directions on the subject which I am not only to request with respect to this sum, but whether I am to continue such allowance for the future as the People who have enjoyed the benefit of it are making continual application to me on the subject Mr. Andrews order comes inclosed.

I gave Mr. Dolben Directions relating to the Provision of some forty six Punjum Moorees by way of tryal according to what you have been pleased to recommend in the List of investment forwarded me in your Commands of the 5th. Ulto. who informs me that the lowest terms he can bring his Merchants to undertake to provide them at is MPs. 6¼ ℔ Ps. but that he has order'd Musters to be prepared which shall be sent me in a few days, so soon as I receive them they shall be forwarded to your Honour &ca. The Musters of the Goods I contracted for when at Bandarmalanka I am in dayly expectation of which shall likewise wait on you.

In my address under date the 19th. Ulto. I took the Liberty to lay before you the state and condition of the Godowns at Bandarmalanka and to request your orders for constructing a new one to lodge the Cloth in, that may be expected by the Month of September as there is none at present either sufficiently large or secure for that Purpose which I must again request to be favored with as Mr. Dolben in a Letter I received from him two days ago writes thus. I should be glad to be favored with your orders for building a Cloth Godown as otherwise it will be out of my power to have it in readiness for the Bales.

As the Advices from Bengall render it imprudent risquing anything at Bandarmalanka which may be removed as it is a P[l]ace of no Security & has a Bar that may be always enter'd by Vessels of an hundred Tons without Danger, and as I find there are near sixty Bales of Cloth lying there at the Washers and Brown, I have directed Mr. Dolben to put them on board a Vessel now in that River bound for Madrass, and not to receive any more from the Country till we have further accounts from the Bay as it will make no difference in getting it cured in readiness for the September Dispatch.

You have been already advised that the Flag staff at this Place was blown down in the late storm, and that there was no proper stick to be procured here for erecting another, but I have since removed that from Nizampatam where it was of no use, and have set it up here, though for want of Tar & Europe Rope which we have none of in Garrison, it is but very ill secured, I have therefore taken the Liberty of inclosing an Indent for these and some other small articles wanted here which I request your Compliance with.

I am with much Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your very Obedient humble Servant
John Pybus.

Masulipatam
12th. February 1763.

Indent for Sundries wanted at Masulipatam.

Tar	2 Barrels.
Pitch	1 D°.
Europe Cordage—	
4 inch, ½ inch, 1 inch — Sufficient for the Rigging of a Flag staff of about 90 feet high.	
Hour glasses	4
Half hour	4
Canvas	4 Bolts.
Sail Needles	50
Europe Twine	50 lb.

John Pybus.

Masulipatam
12th. February 1763.

N°. 25.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r^.
President & Governor &c^a^. Council
at Fort S^t^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Having received orders from the President & Council of Fort William to forward to your Honour &c^a^. Council the inclosed Letter by any Vessel I might be able to procure I have now dispatched the Honble Companys Snow Greyhound William Corry Commander with orders to proceed with all Expedition to your Presidency.

I also send you enclosed copy of Captain Corrys sailing Instructions.

I am sorry to inform your Honor &c^a^. that several Vessels have been taken by the French Squadron. Two from this Port, one of which was a new schooner built at this Place belonging to the Houble Company.

I wish the Greyhound snow a safe & speedy Passage, and am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Tho^s^. Rumbold.

Islamabad
22^d^. January 1763.

To William Corry
Commander of the Greyhound Snow.

Sir

You are hereby directed Winds and Weather permitting to weigh your Anchors & make the best of your way for the Port of Madrass where on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Letter to the Hoñble President & Council of Fort S^t^. George from whom you will receive further orders for your future Proceedings.

Should you meet with any English Vessels in your Passage thither, you must not fail to acquaint them of a French Squadron consisting of two of the Line & a Frigate being in Ballasore Road, However you must let this detain you as little as possible; and to be particularly careful not to destroy the Letter to the President & Council till you find yourself in eminent Danger of being taken & are drove to the Utmost extremity.

I wish you a safe & speedy Passage and am

Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
Tho: Rumbold.

Islamabad
22^d^. January 1763.

A true Copy.

Walter Wilkins.

No. 26.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Agreeable to Orders received from John Pybus Esqr. I now dispatch to your Honor &ca. on the Apollo Ketch Hans Moor Master, sixty two Bales of Calicoes, as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed being all the Cloth at present on hand, except about two hundred Pieces, in such a state at the Wash, as that it could not be conveniently packed being wet with Cow dung.

Among the half washed Cloth is some intermixed which, wants another washing to bring it under that Denomination, in this state there is Chunam in it. which will render it necessary to be again given to the Wash as soon as possible.

I am with the greatest Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
George Dolben.

Bandarmalanka
15th. February 1763.

No. 27.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This serves to inclose your Honor &ca. Duplicate Invoice and Bill of Lading of sixty two Bales of Calicoes consigned to your Honor &ca. by the Apollo Ketch. I am with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servant
George Dolben.

Bandarmalanka
16th. February 1763.

No. 28.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

All kinds of Grain being very scarce and exceeding dear in these Bounds and but little brought in, were the Companys Customs taken off, it might I imagine be a means of encouraging the Merchants in the Country to send in their Grain, I should be glad to receive your Direction on this Head.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
23d. February 1763.

No. 29.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Gove[r]nor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This accompanies the accounts of the settlement for the Month of January together with a Monthly return of the Military and Stores in the Garrison of Cuddalore.

Cuddalore
24 February 1763.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

No. 30.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

On Receipt of your Letter of the 23d. Instant, I sent for the Merchants & acquainted them that you was desirous they would go to Madrass as you wanted to discourse with them particularly on the subject of the Investment before making a new Contract they have promised to set out the 3d. of next Month in the Morning and make the best of their way to wait on you, I endeavoured to prevail on them to set out sooner but they assured me that their affairs would not permit them before that time.

A Boat being bound to Madrass they have desired I would permit them to send a Corge of each sort of the turn'd out Cloth on her. I have granted their request & hope it will meet with your Approbation.

Cuddalore
26th. February 1763.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

No. 31.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letter of the 16th. Ultimo, and shall embrace any Opportunities that may offer of drawing on you, altho' we imagine they can be but seldom, we shall likewise immediately taken into Consideration What monies will be necessary for our own occasions in the ensuing year, and remit you whatever it appears we may be able to afford for the assistance of the China Trade.

In our Letter of the 15th. of Febry. 1762 we advised you of some representations which had been made to us by Mr. Senior and the Owners of the Charlotte Schooner regarding some Debts due to them by the King of Quedah, and recommend your settling that matter, as the reason given by the King for the non payment of those Debts, was your Detention of a Vessel of his upon the Coast, In your answer of the 25th. March you promised to give us your full

sentiments on this subject in a future Letter, but as we have heard nothing from you since which we have just received from Capt. Johnston & beg leave to submit a fresh the whole affair to your immediate Consideration.

The Expedition is set out from Chittagong to take post at Moneypour the Capital of the Province of Mickley with the head whereof we have entered into an Alliance, but with orders not to enter further Directions of which we shall take care to give you the Most Timely Notice.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants

HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
WARREN HASTINGS.
W. HAY.
H. WATTS.

FORT WILLIAM
24TH. JANUARY 1763.

TO THE HONBLE HENRY VANSITTART ESQR.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Having had the honour of Carrying a Letter from you, to the King of Queda, on account of the Owners of the Helena Snow, to Demand a Debt due to them, Intrusted to the King by the then Commander Mr. Miller accordingly when I arrived there, I Dilivered your Letter &ca. and a Present which was very Graciously Received Accordingly to the Eastern Custom.

After the Letter was Read & I told the King my Business & Demanded the Debt in your Name To Wch. the old Gentleman Answered in these terms, that he did not want to keep Capt. Millers Tin, & would Pay it as soon as he was in a right understanding with the English. As he had been before for many years, until the Gentlemen of Madrass had seized his Vessell & never had let him know for what Reason, Only as he had heard by flying reports, that it was on account of Captain Macmouths Vessel being cut off, which happen'd in Junkseilon and not in his Dominions, He likewise said he was very sorry that the English should impute such an action to him, who had lived Reigned & Traded, with Honour for many Years untill his Beard was grown White which was the Expression and now in his old Age to get such a Character, troubled him very much and he would not pay the Debt at this Present time; But as you had done him the Honor of writing to him, he would write to you that Justice may be done him; and then he would pay the Debt with great deal of Pleasure, as he dont want to keep any man from his Right or Property for which Reason he desired that after I had done my Business in the Straits I would call at Queda in my way to Bengal, & he would give me a Letter for you which I accordingly did, & some Days after my arrival he sent the two accompanying. Letters with a Parcel of Wax & Desired I would give his Compliments to you after the Eastern Manner & beg your Acceptce. of the small present of Wax being some of the Produce of his Country.

I am
HONBLE SIR
Your most Obedt. Hble Servt.
Sign'd JOHN JOHNSTON.

POLLY SNOW KEDGEREE
DECEMBER THE 4TH. 1762.

A true Copy.

J. GRAHAM,
Sub. Secry.

No. 32.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Agreeable to what we wrote you in our Letter of the 24th. Instant we this day took into Consideration the state of the Monies which we may expect to receive into our Treasury within the Course of the present year and the several services of this Presidency which must be answered there from; from these we conclude that we shall still have it in our Power to lend a small assistance to the China Trade and we have therefore resolved to remit you for that purpose Five Lacks of Rupees as soon as we can procure that sum in Bullion or foreign Silver, and we shall as we before advised you draw upon you for whatever sums may be offered us here to be paid in Pagodas but we still judge the amount can be but small.

In our Letter of the 27th. we acquainted you with the Proceedings of French ships; The Commodore has since that Time sent into the River, the remainder of the Prisoners taken in the Walpole on board the Grampus Pilot Sloop of which he had before made a Capture and we have it now under Consideration, the sending an equal Number of French Prisoners in exchange to the Islands, agreeable to Monsr. Pallieres Request.

The Boscawen from Bombay arrived in the Road on the 27th. Inst. and as Captain Wedderburn was fortunate as to put a Pilot on board her, we trust she has since got safe into the River; we likewise learn from the Prisoners on board the Fidelle that they met with the Winchelsea Capt. Howe standing into the Road but that after a Chace of more than two Days and a Slight Engagement of about two Hours the Winchelsea got clear off, and we make no doubt she has ee'r this Time arrived safe at your Place.

As we had the Misfortune to losse the Houghtons Packet for your Presidency we have thought proper to land that, which came by the Earl of Ashburnham & which we had shiped for you on the sea boat Captain Swaine; that we may take Copies of the most material Papers for your security and we shall transmit it to you by the Ship Clinton which we purpose dispatching the middle of next Month if the state of the French Squdron will so admit.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Servants

Henry Vansittart.
P. Amyatt.
Warren Hastings.
W. Hay.
H. Watts.

Fort William
31st. January 1763.

No. 33.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Letter of the 2d. Instant has been received and have taken off the Inland Duties on Grain to encourage the Importation thereof.

Yesterday I wrote to the Renter of Deve Cotah and acquainted him with your Orders respecting the Grain he is to send, a Conicoply, three Marcalls and Measuring Men are sent him for the Quicker Dispatch as the Mercalls of this Place are but half the size of those at Madrass.

I have acquainted the Porto Novo Merchants who have contracted for the Delivering the Goods they are to provide for the Investment at Madrass that I will give them all the assistance in my power for exporting the same either from hence or Dave Cotah they have promised to acquaint me the Quantity they may send at different times, an Account of which shall be forwarded to you.

I am with Respect

Your most Obedient humble Servant

CHARLES TURNER.

CUDDALORE
5TH. MARCH 1763.

No. 34.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since my last of the 12th. Ultimo I have been honored with your Commands of the same date on the subject of the Investment, to which I shall now reply.

Your Honor &CA. may be assured I shall be very particularly attentive to the Rules you have been pleased to lay down in your said Commands, and comply with them as nearly as Circumstances will admit and as the Difficulty I complained of in my Letter above referred to respecting the Provision of Romalls, was by the Receipt of these your last orders removed I sent for the Merchants to acquaint them therewith, and to Discourse with them upon the subject of the present Years Investment on the Plan you have proposed I could not expect, they would come to an immediate Conclusion in a Business of this nature and therefore gave them as requested a few days to consider on it. They have since been several times with me without coming to any agreement, as I was not able to prevail on them by all the Arguments I could make use of, to undertake to provide Goods upon receiving only an advance of one quarter Part of the estimated amount, But after many meetings and much Difficulty I have at length the Pleasure to acquaint you that I have finished my Contract with them on the following terms Vizt.

The Prices of the several sortments of Goods to be the same as last Year, but sorted to two Numbers only and not a piece received either short in Measure, or of the stipulated Number of Punjums, the whole to be of a bright chay and even Thread, one half of the Goods Contracted for to be delivered by the 31st. of July next the other half by the 31st. January 1764.

One half of the estimated amount of the Goods agreed to be delivered by the 31st. of July to be advanced them which is to be accounted for by paying only one half the Value of the Goods, as they shall be brought in which will clear off this advance a further advance to be then made them of one half the estimated value of the Goods to be delivered by the end of January 1764 which is to be accounted for in the same manner.

As I flatter myself with your approbation of the foregoing terms I have ventured to make advances to the Merchants conformably thereto, that no time

might be lost in setting the Investment on foot, & your Honour &c^{a}. may be satisfyed I will be careful to keep them to a due Performance of their Contracts. I have ordered Musters of the Ginghams, & other sortments of Goods of which a few Pieces are recommended to be provided by way of Tryal & as you have been pleased to leave the Choice of them in some measure to me I hope to give satisfaction in the Provision of them.

I have transmitted to M^{r}. Dolben the List of Goods to be furnished from Bandarmalanka, & an Extract from your Commands relating to the Plan proposed for carrying on the Investment there, which shall be put in force this year as far as Respects the Provision of Goods contracted for by me when at that Place, but as the Contracts with the other Merchants were made for one year which does expire till September next, the Goods providing by them in Consequence must be receiv'd on the present Terms. The Provision of Salampores cannot be undertaken without Prejudice to the Long Cloth manufactury your Honour &c^{a}. must not therefore reckon on receiving any of that Assortment from thence.

I had hopes of being furnished with the Musters of Goods providing at Bandarmalanka by Lackum Chitty Erapah on my Contract with him to have forwarded to your Honour &c^{a}. before now. He has 'tis true delivered what he call'd Musters but as they were all except one which now waits on you short in Measure and Punjums they were rejected and he is providing others which so soon as I receive shall be dispatched to you. The Directions you have been pleased to give in your List of Investment relating to the printed Moorees, I shall be careful to comply with, and to add the several articles recommended, to the Quantity before ordered, which shall be contracted for, and Musters sent you as soon as they can be procured.

I have signified to M^{r}. Dolben the approbation you have been pleased to express, at the attention he has shewn to the Investment, who begs Leave to return his Thanks for this Publick Mark of you Favour & to assure you that his best Endeavours shall be exerted to its further Improvement.

M^{r}. Brickenden likewise returns your Honours &c^{a}. his Thanks for the Indulgence you have been pleased to shew him in complying with his Request, and he purposes setting out for the Presidency as soon as he can settle his affairs.

Inclosed you will be pleased to receive an Estimate of the Repairs, and Buildings wanting at Bandarmalanka for your Determination. I have already urged The Necessity of them in my Letter of the 19th. January and as their uses are particularly specifyed in the accompanying Estimate I need not add further on the subject here than to request your Permission to set about them, and to assure you that the utmost frugality shall be observed in the execution of the work.

M^{r}. Dolben having in Consequence of the Directions I advised you I purposed giving him, shipped on board the Apollo Ketch sixty two Bales consigned to your Honour &c^{a}. I now forward you Invoice thereof, drawn out conformably to the Method observed in that transmitted you in my address of the 12 Ultimo but I wait your Determination on this subject before, I make any alteration in the present method of keeping the accounts of Bandarmalanka.

I am pleased to find the Chay goods provided here last year proved in general so much to your satisfaction and I flatter myself, that the present Years Provision will likewise meet with your approbation.

There are between fifty & sixty unserviceable pieces of Cannon here of Different Callibers, which might serve as Kintlage to some of the China or other home ward ships, if your Honour &c^{a}. would be pleased to furnish a conveyance for taking them away.

The Cowle you have been pleased to grant to Taddapalah Ramanapah for the Arrack Farm at this place for the Current year has been received and delivered to him.

I am with much Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

MASULIPATAM
2D. MARCH 1763.

BANDARMALANKA THE 24TH. FEBRUARY 1763.

ESTIMATE OF BUILDINGS AND REPAIRS wanting to be made at BANDARMALANKA BUILDINGS.

A CLOTH GODOWN IN THE FACTORY upon the following Plan Vizt. to be 60 feet in length 18 feet broad & 18 feet high to be Terrassed—

				fas.					
Bricks for Walls ..	98000	at	18	℔ Mill	49	—	—		
Flat Tyles for Terrass.	13000	at	9	℔ D°.	3	9	—		
Palmeiras for Beams & Plank	85	at	20	℔ %	17	—	—		
Teak Timbers for Doors & Windows..	10	at	1	18 Each.	15	—	—		
Iron .. .. ..Mds.	12	at	14	℔ Ca.	8	14	32		
Chunam Bandmlka Garce	12	at	2	18 ℔ Garce	30	—	—		
Jaggaree ℔ Carcoys ..		..			6	—	—		
Carpenters Cooley ..		..		16 — —					
Bricklayers		..		27 — —					
Smiths Cooley		..		2 — —					
Coolies Women & Boys ..		..		11 — —					
					56	—	—	184	23	32

A CLOTH GODOWN at the Water side for the reception of Bales in readiness to be shipped of exactly upon the same Plan as the Above Cloth Godown in the Factory & of the same Materials 184 23 32

WASHERS GODOWN 60 feet in length 18 broad 15 high to be Tyled.

				fas.					
Bricks	57000	at	18	℔ Mill	28	18	—		
Tyles	18000	at	9	℔ D°.	4	18	—		
Palmeira Wassalls ..	120	at	4	℔ 100	4	28	64		
D°. Beams	20	at	20	℔ 100	4	—	—		
Reepers	8000	at	9	℔ Mill	2	—	—		
Coir for Tying Do. ..	Mds. 15	at	1	18 ℔ Candy	1	4	40		
Teak Timbers for Doors & Windows	4	at	1	18 Each	6	—	—		
Teak Timbers for Doors & Windows	4	at	1	18 Candy	1	4	40		
Lock Bolts & hinges ..		..		..	2	9	—		
Chunam Bandmlka Garce.	6	at	2	18 ℔ Garce	15	—	—		
Jaggaree & Carcoys ..		..		..	3	—	—		
Bricklayrs		..		14 — —					
Carpenters		..		6 — —					
Coolies Women and Boys ..		..		8 — —					
				28 — —					
								99	6	24
					Carried over ..			468	17	8

							Brought over ..	468	17	8

BEATING GODOWN 60 feet in Length 18 feet in breadth & 15 feet high to be Tyled.

			fas.						
Bricks	84000	at	18	℔	Mill	42	—	—	
Tyles	32000	at	9	℔	Do.	8	—	—	
Palmeira Wassalls ..	180	at	4	℔	100	7	7	16	
Do. Beams ..	30	at	20	℔	100	6	—	—	
Reepers	12000	at	9	℔	Mill	3	—	—	
Coir for tying Do.	Candy	at	1 18	℔	Candy	1	18	—	
Chunam Bandmlka ..	Garce 9	at	2 18	℔	Garce	22	18	—	
Jaggaree & Carcoys ..	..		..			4	18	—	
Teak Timbers for Doors & Windows	6	at	1	18	Each	9	—	—	
Lock Bolts & hinges ..	..					3	—	—	
Carpenters	..			9	— —				
Bricklayers	..			21	— —				
Coolies Women & Boys ..	..			12	— —				
						42	—	—	
								148	25	16

WELLS at the Washing Town, three large.

Well bricks ..	27000	at	—	24	—	℔ Mill	18	—	—
Teak Timbers for Foundation ..	6	at		1	18	Each	9	—	—
Chunam Garce ..	1	at		2	18	℔ Garce	2	18	—
Jaggaree & Carcoys	..			..		..	—	18	—
Bricklayers	..			..		..	5	18	—
Carpenters	..			..		..	1	—	—
Cooleys	..			..		..	5	9	—
								41	27	—

REPAIRS.

Turning the Tyles of the Guard Room Barracks, sorting place & other out houses, repairing their Roofs & new facing several parts broke down in the last Monsoon.

			fas.						
Tyles	20000	at	9	℔	Mill	5	—	—	
Bricks	18000	at	18	℔	Do.	9	—	—	
Chunam Garce	5	at	2 18	℔	Do.	12	18	—	
Jaggaree & Carcoys ..						2	18	—	
Country Wood Reepers & Coir						4	9	—	
Carpenters				2	18 —				
Bricklayers				8	— —				
Coolies Women & Boys.				5	27 —				
Smith repairing Bolts hinges Locks & ca. ..				2	9 —				
						18	18	—	
								51	27	—
						MADRAS PAGODAS ..		710	24	24

GEORGE DOLBEN.

No. 35.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

All the Companys Merchants now set out to wait on you, except Bowanie Sancariah who is very Old & sickly and unable he assures us to undertake the Journey but has sent his Agent in his Room.

We are with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most humble Servant

Charles Turner.
Edwd. Raddon.

Cuddalore
3d. March 1763.

No. 36.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Present serves to Inclose your Honr. &ca. the accounts of this settlement for last Month, likewise the Military Roll, Standard Month account for Decemr. 1761 & Duplicate Books for last Year.

I am with the greatest Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most Obliged humble Servant

Thos. Heath.

Vizagapatam
26th. February 1763.

No. 37.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Disorder in my Eye having lately increased so much as to render it necessary to seek Relief either in Madrass or Bengall, I should esteem it a favour you would be pleased to appoint some Body to the Charge of this Settlement at as early as possible, that if a Conveyance should offer I may return to Madrass before the Monsoon is over, otherwise that you would be pleased to permit me to go down to the Bay.

Vizagapatam
27th. January 1763.

I am with the greatest Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most Obliged humble Servant

Tho: Heath.

No. 38.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favoured with your Letter of the 3d. Ultimo, & agreeable to what we wrote you the Day following (a Duplicate of which is enclosed). We call'd upon the Master of the Britannia Snow in regard to his extraordinary Behaviour while upon your Coast in Consequence of which he delivered us a Letter, a Copy whereof is now enclosed for your notice & we are to acquaint you the assertions therein correspond with the Vessels Journal & the Depositions of the Mate and Syrang who by our Directions were examined.

Enclosed likewise is Copy of a Letter from the owners of the above vessel representing the great Damage she sustained during her stay upon your Coast and desiring an allowance may be made for the same, but as it is impossible for us to judge how far their Representations are just, we must refer the same to your Honor &ca. desiring you would acquaint us, that we may reply to their letter in a suitable manner.

We cannot however close this subject without remarking to your Honor &ca. that these Complaints, correspond in some measure with what the Owners of the Futhee Salam alledg'd in Respect to that ship while upon your Coast, and if they are well grounded we apprehend it will effectually put it out of our Power again to hire Vessels for our Honble Masters service, even upon the greatest Emergencies, as private Persons will never choose to subject their Property to such risques.

It affords us great satisfaction to find our Honble Masters Ships Houghton & Ashbunnham are arrived at Bengal of which we advis'd them by the way of Bussorah the 5th. Instant, but we cannot help being anxious for the saffety of the Walpole.

We request the enclosed Packet for the President & Council of Fort William may be forwarded as soon as possible.

We are
Your most Obedient Servants

Bombay Castle
17th. February 1763.

Cha: Crommelin.
J. Byfeld.
J. Spencer.
C. Waters.
P. E. Wrench.
R. Holford.
S. Court.

To George England Esqr.
Superintendant of the Marine.

Sir

It is with Concern I find a Complaint made against me by the Honble the President & Council of Madrass.

The 6th. of August I returned to Madrass Road from Pondicherry Deep Laden with Guns shot shells and Anchors with which Loading we laid there untill the 24th. before any Boats was sent of to lighten the Vessell notwithstanding we sprung a Leak the 13th. & had it not been for the assistance I received from Capt. Smith of the Drake & other ships on the Road the Vessell must have foundred this was represented to the Governor by myself who sent

off 60 Cooleys, the major part of which was not of the least service and my refusing to pay the charge made for those People was the first time I observed they was displeased the owners was at a great Expence in Preventing the Vessell from foundrin the Leak arising from the Violent straining in laying rowling Gun vale to so many days before they took out the least Part of the Heavy dead Weight she had, in and this was plainly visible to every ship then laying in Madrass Road.

The 26th. September in Cuddalore Road there was two Leaguers of Water sent of by the Chief of that settlement for the use of a Detachment of 57 Europeans & 12 Blacks for which he sent me a Bill which I refused paying as I did not Imagine the owners was to be at that Expence, this might probably offend him, but I hope it will not be esteemed as such the owners was at the Expence of victualing that Military Detachment two days from his Neglecting to send of any Provisions with them, and which had we not supply'd them with was proceeding to Mutinous acts such as threatning to run the vessel ashore it is true while we lay'd in Cuddalore Road I represented to the Chief Mr. Turner the Leaky condition of the Vessel & the great appearances of bad Weather coming on which made me Importinate with him to Dispatch me to which I received no other reply than he should keep me so long as she pleased.

The 7th. of October the Governor & Council at Madras ordered I should proceed to Alamparvar to bring up Chunam shells I then represented to them in writing the bad state and Condition the vessel was in being excessive leaky, but to which received no other Answer than to comply with my orders at this time we kept one Pump constantly working our Rigging began to be in a shatter'd Condition and sails worse notwithstanding which I proceeded to Alemparva where we laid 6 days taking in the Chunam shells, & the 17th. of October the Monsoon to all Appearance was near breaking having for some days before threatened with a very heavy swell, the Leak encreasing on us so as to oblige us to work both Pumps I thought it necessary for the Preservation of the Vessel to proceed to sea which accordingly we did and was my only Motive for leaving that Coast without returning to Madrass on my arrival at Tellicherry I was ordered by the Chief & Factors there to land the Chunam shells and receive on board other stores for this Presidency therefore hope my Conduct will not appear blameable having no ways willfully neglected any part of my Duty nor acted in a disrespectful Manner with Intention.

I am with the utmost Respect

SIR

Your most Obedient Servant

MAGNES DELEA.

BOMBAY
20TH. JANUARY 1763.

A true Copy

ANDREW RAMSAY *Secretary.*

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES CROMMELIN ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF BOMBAY.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Owners of the Britannia Snow Freighted to the Honble Company the 10th. of March 1762 having suffered great Damages done to the Vessel from the Honble the President & Council at Madrass letting her lay in that Road with a deep Loading of Guns, shot shells & Anchors, fifteen days without taking any Part of the Weight out of her, during which time she sprung a Leak so as to be foundring occasion'd by the violent straining of the Vessel from rowling Gun wale to; the major part of the time to prevent which the owners was at

a very considerable Expence as appears by a Letter from the Commander in answer to a complaint made by the Governour & Council of Madrass against him, like wise from her being Detained on that Coast, until the Monsoon broke on her, as appears by her Commanders Journal from which she has received great Damages done both to her rigging and sails, having sail'd out of this Road compleatly filled with two suits of sails, what Part in remaining of them, now being almost answerable all these Circumstances we hope will be taken into Consideration by your Honour &c^{a}. Council as the Owners have suffered very considerably in the sales of her therefore hope some allowance will be made us for the same.

We are with the utmost Respect

BOMBAY
20TH. JANUARY 1763.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants

PAGE KEBLE *for* himself &
JOHN ALLENBOROUGH.
SAMUEL LEWICK *for* WILLIAM HORNBY.
JOHN HALFIELD *for* JOHN WATSON.

A true Copy

ANDW. RAMSAY
Secry.

No. 39.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

A Vessel which we sent out to look for the French ships having seen nothing of them altho' she cruized all over Ballasore Road and went out into twenty Fatham Water, we imagine they must have left their station and we have therefore determined to proceed in the Dispatch of our Ships, The Drake & Hardwick will accordingly sail for Europe about the 25th. Instant. The Clinton and Houghton we now Dispatch to your Honour &c^{a}. the former to proceed to England and the Latter to pursue her original Destination to China.

On board the Clinton we have laden besides her Salt Petre & Redwood all the west Coast Stores amounting as ℔ enclosed Invoice & Bill of Lading CRs. 29,337—13—6. The same you will please to forward to them by the earliest Conveyance, which we think might be very well effected by ordering the Houghton to proceed that way and take in a Cargo of Peper for China.

By the Houghton you will receive all her own Consignments, excepting 100 Barrels of Gunpowder, (which being in the greatest want of We have detain'd, here) and five pipes of Madeira Wine being half of a supply which we have furnished to the Settlement at Port Marlbro and dispatch'd thither on a small Vessel. By the Houghton you will likewise receive all the Consignments of Coral & Necessaries ℔ Ashburnham agreeable to an extract of her manifest enclosed in the Houghtons Packet.

The Ashburnhams Cargo for your Presidency we have likewise taken the Liberty to detain here, as it consists chiefly chiefly [*sic*] of Naval stores of which we are most in want, but if you should have occasion for any of the articles thereof we shall forward them to you upon your advising us.

We have further laden on these two ships the five Lack of Rupees for the assistance of the China Trade half on each agreeable to their respective Invoices.

As we imagine a small vessell on the West Coast may be render'd of particular service to their several settlements, we desire you will dispatch thither our Snow the Greyhound with the most material part of the Stores and give the Captain Directions for his remaining under the Orders of that Presidency.

As there did not remain Tonnage sufficient in these two ships for sending you the Consignments from Bombay ℔ Windsor we purpose dispatching them to you by the Leopard Snow as soon as she can be got ready.

The accompanying Letters for your Honour &c^{a}. were received from Fort Marlbro by the Nancy Ketch, and which we took the Liberty to open least they had required an answer from hence, our Packet directed for Fort Marlbro you will please to forward by the ships which carrys the stores.

Agreeable to what we wrote you in our last we have taken copies of the most material Papers ℔ the Ashburnham namely the List of Packet & the three General Letters, and we forward you the Packet itself ℔ the Clinton.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient humble Servants

FORT WILLIAM

10TH. FEBRUARY 1763.

HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
S. BATSON.
WM. BILLERS.
JOHN CARTIER.
WARREN HASTINGS.
JOHN JOHNSTONE.
W. HAY.
RND^{H}. MARRIOTT.
H. WATTS.

N°. 40.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We wrote to you under Date the 10th. Instant by the Ships, Clinton & Houghton whose final Dispatches are now making up.

This therefore serves chiefly to advise you that at the Desire of Major Adams we have landed from the Houghton the three Chest of Medicines which were consigned to the Kings Hospital at your Place and he has also thought proper to detain the three assistant surgeons as being much wanted in the Hospital of the 84 Regiment.

M^{r}. Shaw the gentleman who was sent down here by Cap^{t}. Tinker having imprest about 30 Men for his Majesties Service we have agreeable to that

Capt. Tinkers Request order'd them Passage on the ships Houghton & Clinton and referr'd the Captains to you or the Admiral for Payment of the Expence which may be incurr'd thereby.

We are

FORT WILLIAM
14TH. FEBRUARY 1763.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Servants

HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
WARREN HASTINGS.
W. HAY.
RANDH. MARRIOTT.
H. WATTS.

P.S.—We have drawn on your Honor &ca. five Setts of Bills of Exchange as under, and payable on the Terms particularly expressed in the Bills Vizt.

1 Sett Mr. Peter Downes or order	of himself for A.Rs.	6000	—	—
1 Sett Capt. Simon Hart	Mr. Thos. Cooke ..	1259	4	—
1 Sett Mr. Andrew Ross	Do. Do. ..	2000	—	—
1 Sett Capt. Willm. Rogers	of him	29000	—	—
1 Sett Nellikuntaker	Henry Vansittart Esqr.	15173	9	—
	Arcot Rs. ..	52432	13	—

HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
W. HASTINGS.
W. HAY.
RANDH. MARRIOTT.
H. WATTS.

No. 41.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

As we thought it necessary to take every Precaution in our Power to secure the safety of the ships having the Treasure on board we have dispatched this sloop the Grampus to proceed in Company with them & to go ahead to make signals to the ships upon the appearance of any Danger & in case of an Extremity to receive the Treasure on board & make the best of her Way to your Port.

We desire that you will detain her with you untill the arrival of the first advices from Europe & then return her to us with our Packet.

We have drawn further on your Honour &c^{a}. one Sett of Bills of Exchange in favor of John Call Esq^{r}. on account of Cap^{t}. Dav^{d}. Blake for a Rupees 28109–7–6 received here of M^{r}. Thomas Amphllett to which we request you will pay due Honour.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants

HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
WM. BILLERS.
JOHN CARTIER.
WARREN HASTINGS.
JOHN JOHNSTONE.
W. HAY.
RAND^{H}. MARRIOTT.
H. WATTS.

FORT WILLIAM
14TH. FEBRUARY 1763.

N^{o}. 42.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Agreeable to the Orders of the President &c^{a}. Council of Fort William I repair'd on Board the Honble Companys Ship Clinton Nath^{l}. Smith Commander, which I found laying at Ingerlee to Dispatch her to Madrass.

I have this day delivered her Commander his Dispatches, and under this Cover inclose you the following Papers for your Honours Inspection Viz^{t}.

I have muster'd the ships Company and surveyed her Guns Ammunition &c^{a}. & find them as follows. Viz^{t}.

Men 99.
Guns 22.

Powder with Amunition & small Arms in proportion.

The Ship is extreamly tight, Clear fore & aft and in every Respect fitt to make a good Defence against an Enemy I wish her a safe & speedy Passage to Madrass and am with due Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obliged humble Servant
ALEXANDER SCOTT.
MASTER ATTENDANT.

SHIP CLINTON INGERLEE
27TH. FEBRUARY 1763.

N^{o}. 43.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have the Pleasure to acquaint you of our safe arrival here the 1st. Instant and finding the Settlement in peace and Tranquility, and as good a state as we could reasonably expect.

It would have afforded as much satisfaction to have complyed with the request made us in your Letter of the 8th. of August wherein you earnestly desire, the Dispatch of the Royal George from hence to Manilla, but on considering the Impractibility of her gaining a Passage thither at this season, in the direct Tract, and the Risk as well as Tediousness in proceeding thither by that of the Pitt, we could not see the least Probability of her timely arrival there to answer the Purpose of conveying Intelligence.

Your Honor &ca. Council will receive this by the way of Vizagapatam to the Chief of which Place we have wrote, and consigned to him a Ketch, call'd the Nancy belonging to the Honble Company, desiring him to get her repaired in the best manner, We beg you will please to strengthen our Request by your Authority and direct her Proceeding to Fort St. George as soon as the Repairs are compleated; on her arrival we beg you will dispatch her as soon as possible to this Settlement with as many stores of the Indent we presented to you before our Departure, as she can possibly take on board.

Provided no material service should interfere to obstruct our Designs, we are fully resolved to Dispatch the Plassie to Manilha as soon as the Season will permit, unless that Destination should be no longer thought expedient, of which we beg your advice timely for our Government. We wish you may soon receive the agreeable News of the Reduction of that Place & remain with due Regard

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
ROGER CARTER.
RICHD. WYATT.
JOSEPH DARVALL.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN GAYER.
JOHN HERBERT.

FORT MARLBRO
22D. SEPTEBER 1762.

SUPPLEMENT

We have taken the Liberty to pass on you the following Certificates all dated the 23d. September which we beg you will please to Honour vizt.

1 Sett		in favour of Chas. Bourchier Esqr. value of J. Smith	2000	—	—	1250	—	—
1	D°.	D°. of the Owners of the Success Snow value of Robt. Nairne ..	1297	2	71	811	1	58
1	D°.	D°. of John Smith Attorney to John Lewen Smith value of Roger Carter Esqr. ..	1979	1	60	1237	4	40
1	D°.	D°. of John Calland value of Stokeham Donston	2041	1	58	1275	31	33
4 Setts amounting to .. ℔			7318	1	89	4574	1	51

ROGER CARTER.
RICHD. WYATT.
JOSEPH DARVALL.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN GAYER.
JOHN HERBERT.

No. 44.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our Last Respects under date the 22d. Ultimo waited on you by the Nancy Ketch bound to Vizagapatam Duplicate whereof comes now enclosed to which we beg leave to refer you.

We beg leave to recommend to your Honors &ca. Council to supply us by every Opportunity that offers for this Coast any Number of Black Cattle that can be conveniently stow'd let their Quantity be ever so small they will allways prove very acceptable.

Inclosed you will receive two Indents for stationary & Medicines which we desire you'll comply with by the first Conveyance.

We have at present nothing particular to advise you of, more than the Departure of Samuel Ardley Esqr. by this Conveyance of the Royal George which We have dispatched to Bengall.

We remain with due Respect & sincerity

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient humble Servants

Fort Marlbro
18th. October 1762

Roger Carter.
Richd. Wyatt.
Joseph Darvall.
Robert Nairne.
John Gayer.
John Herbert.

P.S.—In case any Vessels are dispatch'd for this Coast we request your Honor &ca. Council to order the Commander to touch at Natal & Moco Moco.

No. 45.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Captain Howe of the Winchelsea having received advices from the Master of a Bengall Sloop station'd of Ganjam which seemed to Indicate the French Squadron had quitted their station, left Bimblepatam the 28th. of last Month for Bengall.

I am with the greatest Esteem

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. humble & most Obliged humble Servant

Thos. Heath.

Vizagapatam
10th. March 1763.

No. 46.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We address'd you last under the 10th. Ultimo, as ℘ Duplicate enclosed and Dispatch these Pattamars expressed to forward you the accompanying Packet received from the Resident Supra cargoes at Canton by the St. Luiz Macoa Ship.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants

Wm. Hornby.
Titus Scott.
Thos. Satchwell.
Wm. Ashburner.
Thomas Day.

Tellecherry
1st. February 1763.

No. 47.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received the Packets from Madrass by the True Briton, and Royal Captain which last ship arrived here the 29th. of last Month without having been able to reach Soolo.

We shall answer the Particulars by the first Macao Ship bound to your coast, but as the Conveyance which now offers may possibly reach you much earlier we think it necessary to take this opportunity of acquainting you that we have but just sufficient in our Treasury at present (including the Lack of Rupees by the Royal Captain) to land the seven ships now at Whampo.

You have not mention'd the amount of Treasure put on board the Osterly & Essex but whatever it is, the Precariousness of those ships ariving and the chance of a part or even the whole being wanted for the Manilla expedition prevent our being able to make that advantage of it, which the Certainty of its coming would give us.

If those two ships arrive this season, and not have more than sufficient to load them (which to do properly will take between sixty and seventy thousand Pounds) we shall be left without Money to provide Cargoes for the next years shipping (which will be attended with great Loss to the Company) unless we receive an early supply from you.

On this account we should be glad, if it were possible, that you would dispatch a vessel on Purpose, with what money you can spare, to this Port If she arrives in May or June or even later, it will answer our purpose, and we can

freight her back to you on the Companys account, which will more than Ballance any Expence of Measurage or other Port Charges she may become liable to at this Place.

We are

CANTON — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

8TH. NOVEMBER 1762. — Your most obedient humble servants

THOS. FITZ HUGH.
SAMUEL BLOUNT.
NATHL. GARLAND.
ALEXR. HUME.
BENJN. TURIN.
THOS. SMITH.
WILLM. ROUS.

P.S.—The Essex & Falmouth were not arrived at Malacca the Latter end of Septr. when the Royal Captain sail'd from that Place in company with Admiral Cornish.

A Price Currt. Canton & List of Ships at that Port comes enclosed.

A LIST OF SHIPS AT WAMPO 1762.

7 English Vizt.

The True Briton	Capt. Creyton
Harcourt	Morrison
Elizabeth	Marter
Horsendon	Stewart
Royal Charlotte	Clements
Albion	Larkins
Royal Captain	Tanner

3 Dutch.
2 Danes.
2 Sweeds.

PRICE CURRENT AT CANTON, 1762.

Annis or Pathoke		Tales.	M.	C.	C.
Amber	℔ Catty	16	—	—	—
D°. false	℔ Pecul	20	—	—	—
Becha de Mer, call'd by the Mallays Trypon					
1st. sort large, black & thick	D°.	35	—	—	—
2d. D°. black		18	—	—	—
3d. D°. small black		12	—	—	—
4th. D°. large white		4	—	—	—
Beetle Nutt, Cochin China	D°.	7	—	—	—
Siam		5	—	—	—
Malabar / Malacca		4	—	—	—
Birds Nest, white almost transparent	D°.	900	—	—	—
2d. Sort very fine		500	—	—	—
3d. D°.		400	—	—	—
Blue Smalts 1st. D°.	D°.	16	—	—	—
2d. D°.		13	—	—	—
3d. D°.		11	5	—	—
Benjamin unsaleable	D°.				
Camphire Burroes, alias Acheen ½ head sort ¼ Belly, ¼ foot in an average	℔ Catty	10	—	—	—
D°. Separatley, Head		16	—	—	—
Belly		10	—	—	—
Foot		1	5	—	—
D°. China	℔ Pecul	28	—	—	—

		Tales.	M.	C.	C.
Annis or Pathoke					
Cloves	℔ Pecul	130	—	—	—
Cotton	D°.	11	—	—	—
Cow Bezoar large P free from Dust	℔ Catty	22	—	—	—
Cotch Malabar small, white inside	℔ Pecul	8	—	—	—
D°. Pegu, round Balls / Square Cakes		9	—	—	—
Catzombo New & fresh 56 old 27 ℔ Pecul					
Cochineal	℔ Catty	3	2	—	—
Coral Branch 1st. Sort 2d. 3d. sort					
D°. Beads Large	℔ Catty	50	—	—	—
Small		30	—	—	—
China Root	℔ Pecul	2	—	—	—
Cambojum	D°.	25	—	—	—
Chinabar Native	℔ Pecul	100	—	—	—
Cubebs					
Elephants Teeth 2 to a Pecul	℔ Pecul	58	—	—	—
3 to D°.	D°.	5[illegible]	—	—	—
4 to D°.	D°.	54	—	—	—
5 to D°.	D°.	52	—	—	—
6 to D°.	D°.	50	—	—	—
7 to D°.	D°.	48	—	—	—
8 to D°.	D°.	46	—	—	—
Small	D°.	30	—	—	—
Ebony	D°.				
Flints	D°.	1	4	—	—
	Do.	T.m. 1 2 @ 130	—	—	—
Gold 86 Touch ℔ Shoe of 10 Tale Wt.					
Gocul	℔ Pecul				
Galingal	D°.	1	5	—	—
Gensing Canada or English	℔ Catty	3	5	2	—
King unsaleable	℔ Pecul				
Hingera	D°.				
Hoitzoi a sea weed	D°.	3	—	—	—
Hartal	D°.	7	—	—	—
Lead	D°.	4	—	—	—
D°. Red	D°.	3	5	—	—
Myrrh	D°.	24	—	—	—
Mother of Pearl Shells	Do.	6	—	—	—
Musk	℔ Catty	22	—	—	—
Nutmegs	℔ Pecul	100	—	—	—
Olibanum according to Goodness					

N.B. the 1st. Sort in Chests Fa. 4. The 2d. sort 3. 5 ℔ Pecul.

Pepper Malabar	℔ Pecul	15	—	—	—
D°. Batavia	D°.	14	—	—	—
Putchuck	℔ Pecul	50	—	—	—
Long Pepper	D°.	7	—	—	—
Pearl Seed white with a lustre	℔ Catty 40 @	50	—	—	—
Quick Silver	℔ Pecul	100	—	—	—
Rosemalloes best	D°.	43	—	—	—
Red Wood Large & Strait	D°.	2	7	—	—
Rattans White & Long the best	D°.	2	4	—	—
Raw silk best Companys sort	D°.	240	—	—	—
Rhubarb	D°.	17	—	—	—
Sandal Wood Malabar 1st. Sort	D°.	18	—	—	—
2d.	D°.	13	—	—	—
3d.	D°.	9	—	—	—
Sharks fins large	Do.	22	—	—	—
Sapan Wood	3 P to a Pecul.	1	4	—	—
	Small Pieces.	—	8	—	—

Annis or Pathoke				Tales.	M.	C.	C.
Samloi	℔Peoul	8	—	—	—
Sago Batavia	Dº.	4	8	—	—
Dº. Canton	Dº.	2	—	—	—
Sugar Canton	Dº.	3	2	—	—
Sugar Candy Chinchew	Dº.	6	—	—	—
Cochin China	Dº.	4	6	—	—
Tn	Dº.	13	—	—	—
Tiortoise Shell, large Black & Thick		80	—	—	—
Second sort		20	—	—	—
thin as brown paper					
Tuthenague to Whampoa	Dº.	5	6	—	—

T. Ta.
Tincal to Dº. 13 Barax 29 ℔ Peoul. Do.

Tea Bohea	Dº.		
Single			
Hyson			
Vermillion	Dº.	100	— — —
Wax	Dº.	18	— — —

Nº. 48.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &cA. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Favour of the 5th. Inclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for Madrass Pagodas (15000) sent on the Amelia Snow is duely received.

I am with the greatest Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs

Vizagapatam — Your most Obedt. & most Obliged humble Servant

16th. March 1763. — Tho. Heath.

Nº. 49.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &cA. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Enclosed you will be pleased to receive the accounts of this settlement for last Month.

I have been duely honored with your Commands of the 1st. Instant, and shall be careful to observe the Directions you have been pleased to give for bringing my Madrass Pagodas & Rupees to account on opening my new Books.

You may be assured you shall be no more troubled about the Braminy and Mahometan Priest at Narsipore, I mentioned them in my Letter of the 12th. Ultimo because I thought my Duty required it & that I might receive your Directions on the subject I have received from the Renter of that Place the amount of his Kist due in December last.

I now forward to you the Remainder of the Musters from Lackum Chitty Erapah in a Bundle containing as follows viz^{t}.

		Pun. Cov. Long.	Cov. broad.	
One Piece Long Cloth Superfine	..	32 72	2¼ @ Ms. P^{s}.	100 ℔ Corg^{s}.
One Piece Moorees superfine ..	..	32 28	2 @	40 D^{o}.
One Piece Moorees Midling ..	for Washing. ..	30 28	2 @	35 D^{o}.
One Piece Moorees Fine	..	30 28	2½ @	40 D^{o}.
One Piece Moorees Ordinary ..	for Painting	28 28	2 @	30 D^{o}.
One Piece Lampasses	..	30 15	2½ @	22½ D^{o}.
			Inch^{s}.	
One Piece Izzarees Superfine 3 Threads.		16	2 2 @	40 D^{o}.

The Moorees fine and Lampasses for Painting of 30 Punjums being half a Covid Broader than the other sortments of Moorees are of a Thicker Texture & coarser Thread If your Honour &c^{a}. do not think them of a proper Fabrick for Painting the number of Punjams must be augmented, which will consequently occasion an Increase in the Prices.

In my address of the 2^{d}. Instant I acquainted you with my having transmitted to M^{r}. Dolben an Extract from your Commands of the 12th. Ultimo relating to the Plan you would have observed in carrying on the present years Investment, which I then gave you no hopes could be put in Practice at that settlement till the Expiration of the former Contract with the Merchants there; But I have now the Pleasure to inform you that I have received advice from M^{r}. Dolben of his having prevailed on his Merchants to undertake the Provision of the quantity of Goods specifyed in the List of Investment forwarded in your aforesaid Commands on the following Farms Viz^{t}.

Long Cloth Fine ..	of 24	Punjums	@ Ms. P^{s}.	60 ℔ Corge.
Long Cloth Midling ..	18	Do.	@	48
Long Cloth Ordinary ..	16	Do.	@	36

No Cloth to be received of an Inferior sortment or short in Measure One Quarter Part of the Estimated amount of the years Investment to be advanced them; The cloth to be paid for brown, upon its being accepted, and the Money advanced, to be accounted for in the last Parcells of Cloth brought in before the 31st. of January, when the Ballance which may be remaining in their hands shall be paid in ready Money.

That one of the Investment now contracted for shall be delivered by the 1st. of August reckoning the Goods brought in since the 31st. of January last to the time of making this Contract as part and the other half by the last day of January 1764.

It is with much concern I now find myself under the disagreeable Necessity of representing to your Honor &c^{a}. the little Probability there is of recovering from the Late Masulipatam and Ponracca Salt Farmers the large Ballance still owing by them amounting to about thirty three thousand (33000) Rupees for although I have with much Difficulty prevailed on the present Farmer to permit them to continue selling to the end of this Month notwithstanding he has new salt ready for sale, yet as very few combardy People have come down the sales have been very trifling. The Quantity of Salt they have on hand could it be disposed of would nearly I believe clear off this Ballance, but of this there is no Prospect, nor indeed could I in justice to the present Farmer continue to them the Indulgence of selling any longer, so that I see no hope left of recovering this Money from them as they are both in very bad Circumstances, being considerably indebted to many of the Inhabitants here from whom they have at times borrowed large sums of Money to assist them in carrying on their Business. I have used many arguments to prevail on the present Farmer to take their stock of salt of their hands at a reasonable Price but to no Purpose, as he apprehends being a considerable sufferer by this Farm himself, which from the few lombardy People who have of late resorted here,

he has but too much cause for. The only expedient therefore I know left for affording any chance of recovering this money is to make it a condition on reletting this Farm when it expires, that the new Renter shall be answerable for the present outstanding Ballance, which if it be let for the term of Three years I am inclined to believe there are responsible People to be found who would be induced to take it on such Conditions.

As several of the Farms dependent on this Place expire the 31st. of May next I request to be honored with your Directions for the reletting them, and whether for the Term of One or three Years.

I am very Respectfully,
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

MASULIPATAM
24TH. MARCH 1763.

No. 50.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

After having received your esteemed favor of the 15th. February concerning the administration of the deceased Mr. Slopers Estate we were taking Information whether he had made and left his Will or not, and his Wife delivered us two Testaments which he has made the 2d. of June 1761 and 20th. of December 1762 whereof verified Copies here inclosed, and upon the Letter of which his said Wife has signed her Petition to have Mr. Christian Brower, and the under Book Keeper Mr. Daniel Jessen appointed, by your authority to be the Executors thereof and as the said Messrs. Brower & Jessen have declared to us, that they willingly will accept of this charge, so we must leave it to your good Opinion, if you will be pleased to grant them a proper authority for that Purpose.

We have the Honor to be with the most perfect Esteem and Consideration.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants
H. ABBESTEE.
P. FALK.
J. H. GILLE.
C. F. HOYER.

FORT DANSBOROUGH
2D. APRIL 1763.

No. 51.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Letter of the 28th. Ultimo enclosing a statement of the different sorts of Goods and the Prices the Merchants have contracted for, with the observations made on the Goods provided at this Place, which shall be strictly attended thereto and the utmost endeavours used to improve the Investment

Should the Merchants bring in more Long Cloth or Salampores than they have contracted for the present Investment it shall be received if equal to the Muster.

The Cloth the Merchants may have at present as well as the turn'd out shall be sorted as soon as possible and the Ballance which may then remain shall be deducted out of the Quarter Part advance to be made on the Present years Investment agreeable to your Directions.

I have ordered to be made a Corge of Salampores fine & one of Ordinary as soon as it is brought in, shall be sent you.

It has been allways Customary at this settlement for the Warehouse keeper to have the torn Cloth as Wrappers for Packing the Bales at Forty Pagodas the Long Cloth & lighten the Salampores, enclosed is a List out of which I have used for the above mention'd Purpose, one hundred & twenty Pieces of Long Cloth, which I hope will meet with your aprobation, the remainder I imagine will be wanted for Packing the Bales of the Present Investment.

Last Week Ramma Lingum the Porto Novo Merchants exported from hence in a Country Boat on the Companys account fifty six Corge of half Prices Blue and fifteen Corge of Salampores.

The Accounts of this settlement for the Month of February now wait on you.

I am with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient & most humble Servant

CUDDALORE
17TH. APRIL 1763.

CHARLES TURNER.

No. 52.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Agreeable to the orders of the President &ca. Council of Fort William I repair'd on board the Hoñble Companys. Ship Houghton, Captn. William Rogers Commander, which I found lying at Ingerley to Dispatch her to Madrass.

I have this day delivered her Commander his Dispatches & under this Cover inclose you the following Papers for your honours Inspection Vizt. 1 Bill of Lading.

1 Receipt for the Packet.

I have muster'd the ships Company & Surveyed her Guns, Ammunition &ca. & find them as follows.

99 Men

26 Guns

Powder with Ammunition & small arms in Proportion.

The ship is extreamly tight, clear fore & aft & in every Respect fitt to make a good Defence against an Enemy, I wish her a safe & speedy Passage to Madrass and am with due Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
ALEXANDER SCOTT.
Master Attendant.

SHIP HOUGHTON INGELLEE
27TH. FEBRUARY 1763.

No. 53.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your Letters of the 9th. February by the ship Osterly which is safely imported here.

The Arrival of the Royal George from Fort Marlbro & Malacca, has enabled us to destine the Boscawen as well as the Osterly to proceed immediately to you with full Cargoes of Grain & they will accordingly sail as soon as they can be loaded; and the former ship may after landing the same, be dispatched to China in company with the Osterly. The Royal George we have station'd to be our last Ship & carry the Remains of our Investment to England. and we hope to be able to give the Ashburnham & her their Dispatches in all the present Month.

The Leopard snow being now ready to proceed with the Military Stores consigned from Bombay We here enclose you the Invoice & Bill of Lading for the same, and if you have no material service for her after landing her Cargoe she may be returned to us.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble Servts.
HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT & BATSON.
WM. BILLERS.
J. CARTIER.
WN. HASTINGS.
J. JOHNSTONE.
W. HAY.
RANDH. MARRIOTT.
H. WATTS.

FORT WILLIAM
4 MARCH 1763.

No. 54.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Mr. Calland being arrived agreeable to his appointments, the different Employs of the settlement were yesterday settled in Council in the following Manner, Mr. Calland Ware House keeper, Paymaster, & Accountant. Mr. Raddon Sea & Land Customer Store Keeper & Secretary Mr. Walter Goddard station'd under the Ware House Keeper & appointed Clerk of the Market.

Ramma Lingum the Porto Novo Merchant exported from hence the 8th. Instant on account the Honble Company the following Cloths.

	Call.	Pieces.
Long Cloth Fine	12	132
Ditto	9	516
Ditto	8	72
		720 Pieces

CUDDALORE
12TH. APRIL 1763.

We are with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient & most humble Servants

CHARLES TURNER.
JOHN CALLAND.
EDWD. RADDON.

No. 55.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have been favored with your Letter of the 15th. Ultimo & agreeable to your Desire shall shortly send you two thousand (2000) Bags of Rice for the use of your Garrison, & as we have likewise taken off the Prohibition on the Exportation of this Article for your Coast, we doubt not but private Traders will carry sufficient supplies to relieve your Necessities, & prevent the Distress with which the Country is threatened.

The Paymaster of his Majestys 89th. Regiment having applied to us to desire your Honor &ca. would advance the commanding Officer of the two Companys of that Regiment at your Place, whatever Money he may want for their subsistance, we are to request you would comply there with taking his Bills upon the Paymaster here for the same particularly specifying in the Bills that the Money so advanced was for the subsistance of his Majestys Troops of the 89th. Regiment & this clause you will please to observe in all similar occasions in future.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Servants

BOMBAY
26TH. MARCH 1763.

CHAS. CROMMELIN.
T. BYFELD.
J. SPENCER.
C. WATERS.
SAMUEL COURT.

No. 56.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am favored with yours of the 19th. Ultimo & return you many thanks for the Permission you have been pleased to grant me therein in Consequence of which I shall repair to Madrass with as much speed as the nature of my disorder will admit of.

The accounts of this settlement for the Month of February now wait on your Honour &ca. and I am with the greatest Esteem

Vizagapatam — Honble Sir & Sirs

6th. April 1763. — Your most Obedt. & most Obliged humble Servt.

Thomas Heath.

No. 57.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Nelly Snow Calling here we have taken the Opportunity to send you what Bales were ready which we hope will meet with your approbation, Inclosed is Invoice and Bill of Lading.

The Accounts of this Settlement for the Month of March are now forwarded to you.

We are with Respect

Cuddalore — Honble Sir & Sirs

24th. April 1763. — Your most Obedient and most humble Servants

Charles Turner.
John Calland.
Edwd. Raddon.

No. 58.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Enclosed is Duplicate of our Letter of the 4th. Instant by the Leopard Snow.

The Ships Clinton & Houghton were dispatched from Ingellee for your Presidency the 27 Ultimo and the Drake & Hardwicke for Europe the 3d. Instant.

We have this day drawn on you One sett of Bills of Exchange in favour of Mr. James Wilson for Arcot Rupees seventeen thousand nine hundred & Fourteen nine Annas (ARs. 17914–9) value received hereof of the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.

The Boscawen & Osterly are receiving on board their Cargoes of Rice shall be dispatched to you with all possible Expedition.

Our Honble Masters Ship Winchelsea arrived here the 7th. Instant from Vizagapatam to which place she retired after falling in with the French Frigate. It is our Intention to let her out to Freight in the Manner recommended by the Company.

The President & Council at Fort Marlbro having Indented to us for a supply of Medicines We have complied with the same by the Syren Snow now under Dispatch for that Place, as far as was in our Power but as there are Many Articles, which we are not able to spare them particularly that of Bark, we here enclose you a Copy of their Indent with a List of such part as we have been able to send them & request you will please to Compleat the rest as far as you possibly can.

We are

FORT WILLIAM
17TH. MARCH 1763.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servts.

HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
L. BATSON.
WM. BILLERS.
JOHN CARTIER.
W. HAY.
RANDH. MARRIOTT.

No. 59.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I am now to acknowledge the Receipts of and reply to your Commands of the 19th. Ultimo and 13 Instant.

Your Honor &ca. may be assured I shall be particularly attentive in making the Merchants comply strictly with their Contract for Chay Goods.

I forwarded to Mr. Dolben the half Muster of Moorees returned me by your Honour &ca. with your Remarks thereon and have transmitted him Copy of the Warehouse keeper's Observations on the several Musters last sent you with an Extract from your Commands of the 13th. Instant relating to them whose Endeavours I am Persuaded will not be wanting to remedy the defects complained of But I must confess it gives me much Concern to find them so generally disapproved, as I had given Orders to Mr. Dolben to make an advance of 5000 Pagodas in part towards the Provision of the quantity ordered in your List of Investment, in hopes that all the Musters except the 2½ Covids wide Moorees and Lampasses would have met with approbation and as the season was advancing fast I was apprehensive it might otherwise be impracticable to furnish one half of the Investment ordered by the latter end of July in Compliance with your Injunctions, but I have now sent directions to Mr. Dolben to put a stop to the Provision of any of these assortments till such Musters can be provided as shall meet with your Honor &cas. approbation. But I must beg leave to observe here that the Cloth manufactured this way in general, improves much more by washing and curing than the Cloths usually provided to the Southward.

I am to request being honored with your orders how many pieces of Izzarees you would be pleased to have sent home by way of Musters as in the List of Investment forwarded in your Commands of the 12th. February four hundred are ordered to be provided.

I had secured the Salt remaining on hand belonging to the Masuliptam and Ponraca Salt Farmers before the Receipt of your Commands on this subject, as being the only probable means left of recovering any Part of their large outstanding Ballance an Estimate of the Quantity as nearly as it can be guessed at, and what it may on a Medium Selling Price be supposed to be worth, supposing it all to be sold for ready Money comes inclosed.

Inclosed I have the Honour to transmit you the accounts of this Settlement for last Month, wherein you will be pleased to observe I have adjusted the Head of the Five Circars in the Books of this Place conformably to the Statement transmitted to the Select Committee in my address of the 17th. and have given accot. Current Fort St. George credit for some small arms left here by Capt. Blake as particularized in the enclosed return.

I have given notice conformably to your Honour &cas. Directions, that sealed Proposals will be received for reletting the several Farms expiring the 31st. of next Month for one Year, But from the best Information I have been able to get I cannot find there are many People inclined to take them for so short a Period from the heavy Losses sustained by the Present Farmers last year by the several Gale of wind that happen'd here the 1st. December last, which they alledge may perhaps be the case again, and as by holding a Farm for the term of one year only they have neither Encouragement for advancing any money towards the improvement of it, nor any hopes of being made amends by a succeeding good year for any Losses they may have sustain'd in a preceeding one, I am not without apprehensions that I shall find it a difficult matter to obtain Proposals from such Persons as I can venture to recommend as Responsible, but of this year Honor &ca. shall be further advised when the Proposals I may receive are forwarded for your Determination till when I remain very respectfully.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Masulipatam — Your very Obedient & most humble Servant

22d. April 1763. — John Pybus.

No. 60.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Present serves to Inclose you the accounts of this settlement for last Month.

I am with the greatest Esteem

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient & most Obliged humble Servant

Thomas Heath.

Vizagapatam
16th. April 1763.

No. 61.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The above is the Copy of a Letter we sent by a Macao Ship bound for Tellicherry to be forwaded to you from thence. We have only further to add that when eight ships are loaded there will not be remaining in our Treasury above sixteen or twenty thousand Tales whereas there ought to be at least Six hundred thousand Tales left with us after the Departure of the Ships, to make advantegeous Investments for the ships of the next season, and if the Osterly should arrive, the 25 Chests she has on board will not be sufficient to load her.

It is necessary to give you this Information as the success of the Companys affairs at this Place greatly depends on your Remittances.

The Governor & Council of Manilha propose sending us a supply from thence but as the Army & Navy are to receive their Share of the Capitulation first, and the Money comes in slowly we may probably not get any from thence, this twelve Month.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. humble Servants

Thos. Fitzhugh.
Samuel Blount.
Nathl. Garland.
Alexr. Hume.
Benj. Torin.
Thos. Smith.
Willm. Rous.

No. 62.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Gentlemen

We have received your favours by the True Briton, Royal Captain and Essex, with the Duplicate of a Letter by the Osterly.

The Sum of Fas. 3999600 which your Presidency was indebted to us we have wrote off the Books according to your desire.

Capt. Tanner after having made many attempts to reach Sooloo without success, arrived here the 7th. of Novemr. The Bale goods he had on board for that Market are unsaleable here. We have hitherto deferr'd bringing them up to Canton in hopes of Mr. Dalrymples arrival. The 6 Pearl likewise (being invoiced without Price) must be kept till then, or if he does not come, till we hear from you concerning them.

The Essex Capt. Jackson arrived here the 19th. of November and brought the agreable News of the reduction of Manilha which was taken by storm the 6th. of October. The Osterly sail'd from that place with the Essex, the 26th. of October but they parted Company in five days and it is supposed, Capt. Vincent is gone either back to Manilha or to Batavia.

The Deputy Governor & Council of Manilha took 11 Chests of the Essex's treasure, for the Disbursements of the Siege and other Charges the Goods Royal Captain, & Essex we have disposed of as follows.

	M.		
Cotton from the Malabar Coast at Ta^{s}. ...	9	5	℔ Pecul
Redwood	2	8	D^{o}.
Blackwood	1	3	
Mother of Pearl Shells	4	2	
Birds nest all broke & very indifferent ...	1	3	
Bechee de Mar, almost all rotten	2	5	

Any more redwood will be unsaleable. The Market is over stock'd allready.

We had no Invoice of it. The Cotton being put into one general Invoice without the Number and weight of each Bale, makes it impossible for us to charge the Captains with the Deficiencies as we cannot assertain the weight by each ship.

If any more Birds nest is sent here it must be pack'd in Chests, for it is valued as much for its being large, as for its whiteness, and what you have sent us, thô of a tolerable colour (we mean the 1st. sort) did not sell for a third of the invoiced Price, occasion'd by its being broke into small Pieces, by the badness of the Package.

As we find by your Letter of the 28th. of June, the necessity you are under of sending the French Prisoners in the China Ship, we should be glad to have common men instead of Officers. Those you sent this year have been very troublesome, and by their ill behaviour, have caused many Complaints from the Chinese.

The Portuguese Governor and senate of Macao, have for some time past behaved so extreemly ill to forcigners (which particularly affects us) that we think it is now become necessary to have such treatment represented to the Vice Roy of Goa, that his orders may prevent in future the embarrassments their rudeness at present subjects us to, and as a Representation of this sort, can come from none so properly as the Company's Presidencies in India where these People are allowed the priviledges of a beneficial trade, and treated with Civility and good manners. We desire you will make known to the Viceroy their Behaviour of which the following instances among many others that have happen'd lately are a proof.

In 1758 When M^{r}. Flint landed from Limpo, the Senate upon an application from the Chinese Government, ordered him to depart their town and its Liberties immediately, whereupon M^{r}. Lockwood was oblig'd to demand the Protection of the Portuguese Flag for him which was granted on condition of his not leaving Macao, without the Governors leave for which M^{r}. Lockwood engaged his honor.

In 1760 The Senate published an order by beat of Drum prohibiting the Inhabitants of Macao renting houses to foreigners without their consent and ordered that they should not have leave to posses the houses they had already rented of the Proprietors, without first petitioning the Senate in a very humble manner, and this Custom still subsists and is extreemly inconvenient to those who are obliged to go to Macao who are sometimes forced to remain in their boats till the Senate assembles, and grants their Petition and then they are again to petition the Governor before the Proprietor dares admit them, These delays not only subjects People to losses by thefts in their boats, but likewie the badness of the Weather.

In 1761 Cap^{t}. Skottowe by orders from the Company being obliged to remain sometime at Macao before he proceeded to Canton for the Safety of his Ship, carried her into into [*sic*] the Taypa a Bay near Macao, and where tho' he could be seen from one of the Forts, he was not within reach of the Guns. After his Ship had been there about a week Cap^{t}. Skottowe (who came

ashore at Macao, and paid the Governor the usual compliment of a Visit) received a Message from him by his Adjutant ordering him to go out of the Taypa immediately with his ship otherwise he would commit him to prison alledging as a reason for so impertinent a message that he should have asked his leave before he brought his ship into the Taypa. When the Governor found his threats inaffectual he took no farther notice but the insult was the same.

We do not mention their ill treatment of Mr. Dalrymple as we find some time ago he wrote to you on that head.

We make no doubt but a Remonstrance from your Presidency will have a proper effect, which will be of great service to us as we are obliged to be a great deal among them and are apprehensive that without it is taken notice of their insolence will daily increase.

We have enclosed you a Price Currt. Canton, and a List of Ships at this Port, a Letter from the Governor and Council of St. Helena to your Presidency one to Bengal which we beg the favor of you to forward and a Letter from the Residents.

We are

CANTON
20TH. DECEMBER 1763.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient humble Servants

THOS. FITZHUGH.
SAMUEL BLOUNT.
JOHN BURROW.
RD. WOOD.
NATHL. GARLAND.
ALEXR. HUME.
STEPN. DE VISME.
BENJN. TORIN.
THOS. SMITH.
THOS. THOMAS.
WILLM. ROUS.
JOHN WALTON

PRICE CURRENT AT CANTON 1761.

Annies or Pathoke.

			Tales.	M.	C.	C.
Amber	℔ Catty	..	16	—	—	—
Do. false	℔ Peoul	..	20	—	—	—
Becha de Mer, calld by the Malays.						
Trypon 1st Sort large, black & thick	Do.	..	35	—	—	—
2d. Do. black		..	18	—	—	—
3d. Do. small black		..	12	—	—	—
4th. Do. large white		..	4	—	—	—
Beetle Nut Cochin China	℔ Peoul	..	7	—	—	—
Siam		..	5	—	—	—
Malabar / Malacca		..	4	—	—	—
Birds Nest, white almost transparent	Do.	..	900	—	—	—
2d. Sort very fine		..	500	—	—	—
3d. Do.		..	400	—	—	—
Blue Smalls 1st Sort	Do.	..	16	—	—	—
2d. Sort		..	13	—	—	—
3d. Sort		..	11	5	—	—
Black Wood		..	1	3	—	—
Benjamin unsaleable	Do.	..	1	3	—	—

			Tales.	M.	C.	C.
Camphire Burroes, alias Acheen ½ head sort ¼ belly ¼ foot in an Average	℔	Catty	10	—	—	—
Do. seperately Head		.. .. ..	16	—	—	—
Belly		.. .. ..	10	—	—	—
Foot		.. .. ..	1	5	—	—
Dº. China	℔	Pecul ..	28	—	—	—
Cloves		Dº. ..	130	—	—	—
Cotton		Dº. ..	11	—	—	—
Cow Bezaar large P free from dust	℔	Catty ..	22	—	—	—
Cotch Malabar small white inside	℔	Pecul ..	8	—	—	—
Dº. Pegu round Balls / Square Cakes		.. ..	9	..	—	—
Catzombo New & fresh 56 Old Ta. 27	Ta. ℔	Pecul ..	..		..	
Cochineal	℔	Catty ..	3	2	—	—
Coral Branch 1st. Sort 2nd. Sort ..		..	..		..	
Dº. Beads Large	℔	Catty ..	50	—	—	—
Small		..	30	—	—	—
China Root	℔	Pecul ..	2	—	—	—
Cambojum		Dº. ..	25	—	—	—
Chinnabar Native		Dº. ..	100	—	—	—
Cubbebs		..	..		..	
Elephants Teeth 2 to a Pecul ..		Dº. ..	58	—	—	—
3 to Dº. ..		Dº. ..	56	—	—	—
4 to Dº. ..		Dº. ..	54	—	—	—
5 to Dº. ..		Dº. ..	52	—	—	—
6 to Dº. ..		Dº. ..	50	—	—	—
7 to Dº. ..		Dº. ..	48	—	—	—
8 to Dº. ..		Dº. ..	46	—	—	—
Small ..		Dº. ..	30	—	—	—
Ebony	℔	Pecul ..	..		..	
Flints	T. M. 1 2	Dº. @.	1	@	—	—
Gold 86 Touch ℔ Shoe of 10 Tale Wt.		..	130	—	—	—
Gocul	℔	Pecul ..	..		..	
Galingal		Dº. ..	1	5	—	—
Gensing Canada or English ..	℔	Catty ..	3	5	2	—
Hing Unsaleable	℔	Pecul ..	..		..	
Hingera		Dº. ..	..		..	
Hotzoia Sea Weed		Dº. ..	3	—	—	—
Hartal		Dº. ..	7	—	—	—
Lead		Dº. ..	4	—	—	—
Do. Red		Dº. ..	3	5	—	—
Myrrh		Dº. ..	24	—	—	—
Mother of Pearl Shells		Dº. ..	4	2	—	—
Musk	℔	Catty ..	22	—	—	—
Nutmegs	℔	Pecul ..	100	—	—	—
Olibanum according to Goodness.		..	..		..	

N.B.—the 1st. Sort in Chests Ta. 4–2 the 2d. sort

	T. M. 3 5	℔ Pecul.				
Pepper Malabar		℔ Pecul ..	15	—	—	—
Dº. Batavia		Dº. ..	14	—	—	—
Putchuck		Dº. ..	50	—	—	—
Long Pepper		Dº. ..	7	—	—	—
Pearl Seed white with a lustre ..	T.	℔ Catty 40 @ ..	50	—	—	—
Quick Silver	℔	Pecul ..	100	—	—	—

		Tales.	M.	C.	C.
Rosemalloes best	℔ Pecul ..	43	—	—	—
Red wood Large & Strait ..	D°. ..	2	8	—	—
Rattans white & long the best ..	D°. ..	2	4	—	—
Raw siik best Companys sort ..	D°. ..	240	—	—	—
Rhubarb	D°. ..	17	—	—	—
Sandal wood Malabar 1st. Sort ..	D°. ..	18	—	—	—
Sandal wood Malabar 2d. ..	D°. ..	13	—	—	—
3d. ..	..	9	—	—	—
Sharks fins large	D°. ..	22	—	—	—
Sapan Wood	3 P. to a Pecul ..	1	4	—	—
	small Pieces ..	..	8	—	—
Samloi	℔ Pecul ..	8	—	—	—
Sago Batavia	D°. ..	4	8	—	—
Sago Canton	℔ Pecul ..	2	—	—	—
Sugar Canton	D°. ..	3	2	—	—
Sugar Candy Chinchew	D°. ..	6	—	—	—
Cochinchina ..	D°. ..	4	6	—	—
Tin	D°. ..	13	—	—	—
Tortoise Shell, large Black & thick	D°. ..	80	—	—	—
Second Sort ..	..	20	—	—	—
thin as brown Paper.					
Tuthenague to Whampoa ..	D°. ..	5	6	—	—
Tincal to D°. 13 Borax					
Ta. 29	℔ Pecul. D°. ..	..	..		
Tea Bohea	D°. ..	..	..		
Singlo					
Hyson					
Vermillion	D°. ..	100	—	—	—
Wax	D°. ..	18	—	—	—

List of Ships at Conton 1762.

Of what Nation.	Ships Names.	Commanders.	When arrived.
Danes	Sophia Magdelina	Dixon ..	Sept. 4th.
	Prince Frederick	Hielte ..	June 7th.
Sweeds	Finland	Egburgh ..	Septr. 21st.
	Stockholm Sloght	Holmes ..	D°.
Dutch	Aschat	Nanning ..	Septr. 18th.
	Uroued Patrnella Maria	Eisten	D°. 20th.
	Admiral de Ruyter	Welferduyn ..	Octr. 15th.
English	True Briton	Crichton ..	Augt. 19th.
	Elizabeth	Stuart	Septr. 12th.
	Harcourt	Morrison ..	
	Horsendom	Marter.. ..	
	Royal Charlotte	Clements ..	Octr. 13th.
	Albion	Larkins ..	D°. 19th.
	Royal Captain	Tanner ..	Novr. 7th.
	Essex	Jackson ..	D°. 20th.

No. 63.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our last Letter to you went by the Prince Henry, which sailed from hence the 28th. April 1761. Your Letters under date of the 7th. of March, by the Onslow and 2d. October, by the Falmouth, came safe to hand.

It gave us great pleasure to hear of the reduction, of that important settlement of Pondicherry which we heartily congratulate you upon.

We request you will send for the Consumption of this Island, fifteen Pieces of Long Cloth of twelve Pagodas ℔ Piece, fifteen Pieces of ten Pagodas ℔ Piece Thirty Pieces of Eight Pagodas ℔ Piece Thirty Pieces of five Pagodas ℔ Piece, twenty Pieces of four Pagodas ℔ Piece and fifty Pieces of three Pagodas ℔ Pieces; and the rest of the one ℔ ct. in Arrack, Rice & Paddy.

This goes by the Royal Charlotte Capt. Clements, who is bound to China we have enclosed you a List of Ships arrival, and Departure to and from this Place, since our last.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servts
Chas. Hutchinson.
John Skottowe.
Purling.
Thos. Kirkpatrick.

St. Helena
23d. June 1762.

List of Ships Arrival and Departure to and from St. Helena from the 12th. May 1761 to the 17th. June 1762 vizt.

Ships.	Commanders.	Arrival.	Departure.
Queen of Denmark	Capt. Holm	12th. May 1761	15th. May 1761
Snow London	George Baker	12th. Do.	13 h. Do.
Royal Duke	Peter Pigou	13th. Do.	26 Do.
Count Mulch Dane	Smit	24th. Do.	29 Do.
Suffolk	Richard Lewin	27th. Do.	
His Majestys Ship Portland	Arbuthnot	6th. June	30th. June
Valentine	William Fernell		
Pocock	Thomas Debuke		
Oxford	William Webber		
Latham	Andrew Moffat	11th. Do.	
Onslow	Thomas Hinde	13th. Do.	
Lord Anson	Edward Lord Chick	2d. July Do.	
His Majesty's Ship Lion	Le Cras	6th. Do.	30th. July
Vredestyn Dutch	Pieters	21st. Do. Do.	31 Do. Do.
Egmont	Charles Mears.	2d. August	10 September
London	John Webb		
Lord Mansfield	Alexr. Macleod	19th. Do.	
Sandwick	Andrew Quick	26th. Do.	
Falmouth	James Dale	3rd. January 1762	26th. January 1762
Prince Edward	James Haldane		
Warwick	James Dewar	31st. Do.	19 h. February Do.

List of Ships Arrival and Departure to and from S^{t}. Helena from the 12th. May 1761 to the 17th. June 1762 viz^{t}.—*cont.*

His Majestys Sloop Alderney	..	Hughes	2^{d}. February	12th. FEBRUARY 1762.
His Majestys Ship Terpsichore	..	Adams	7th. D^{o}. ..	19th. D^{o}.
Hawke		George Kent	1st. March ..	
Plassey		James Ward	26th. D^{o}. ..	6th. April
King of Prussia		Cap^{t}. Londt.	11th. April 1762	12th. April 1762
King of Denmark Dane.		Cap^{t}. Svane	19th. D^{o}. ..	27th. D^{o}.
Neptune		John Purling	22nd. April 1762	6th. May 1762
Pitt		Joseph Jackson ..		
Duke of Richmond ..		Benj. Godfrey ..	24th. April	17th. D^{o}.
Cairnarvon		Norton Hutchinson ..		
Norfolk		Pinson Bontram ..		
Princess Augusta ..		Thomas Baddison ..		
Prince Henry		Cha^{s}. Haggis		
Triton		Cha^{s}. Berkley		
His Majestys Ship Assistance ..	..	„ Norton	21st. May	
Worcester		Richard Hall	24th. D^{o}.	17th. June
Prince George		Andrew Ross	27th. D^{o}.	
Earl of Holdernesse ..		Rob^{t}. Brooke	6th. June	
Royal Charlotte.. ..		John Clements ..	10th. D^{o}.	

N^{o}. 64.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^{r}.
President & Governor &c^{a}. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The 15th. Ultimo arrived your Favors of the 15th. and 16th. of February and the 4th. Instant that of the 22^{d}. of February which we embrace the Opportunity of His Majestys Ship Baleine to Acknowledge Receipt of and inclose Copy of His Majestys Proclamation of a Cessation of Arms with France and Spain received this day.

Agreeable to what your Honour &c^{a}. wrote us concerning the Necessity you were apprehensive of being under for Grain we recommend to all private Traders who have been here to carry it Round and have heard of some who have but no Opportunity has offer'd of sending any on Account of our Honble Masters.

By the time of the Arrival of the Advices abovemention'd from your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. you will please to observe the great Tardiness of your Patamars which the more surprises us as these employed formerly by the French never used to exceed fourteen days from Pondicherry to Myhie & sometimes to Arrive in twelve.

Tellicherry
20th. April 1763.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants
Wm. Hornby.
Titus Scott.
W. Scott.
W. Taylor.
Thomas Day.

BY THE KING A PROCLAMATION.

Declaring the Cessation of Arms, as well by Sea as Land agreed upon between His Majesty the most Christian King and the Catholick King and enjoining the Observance thereof.

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS Preliminaries for restoring Peace were signed at Fontaine bleau on the third day of this Instant November, by the Ministers of Us, the most Christian King and the Catholick King; and whereas for the putting an End to the Calamities of War, as soon and as far as may be possible it has been agreed between us His most Christian Majesty, and His Catholick Majesty as follows, that is to say.

That as soon as the Preliminaries shall be signed and ratifyed all Hostilities should cease at Sea and at Land.

And to prevent all Occasions of Complaints and Disputes which might arise upon Accot. of Ships, Merchandizes, and other Effects which might be taken at Sea, it has been also mutually agreed that the Ships Merchandizes and Effects which should be taken in the Channel and in the North Seas, after the Space of twelve Days, to be computed from the Ratification of the present Preliminary Articles, and that all Ships, Merchandizes and effects which should be taken after six Weeks from the said Ratification, beyond Channel, the British Seas and the North Seas, as far as the Canary Islands inclusively, whether in the Ocean or Mediterranean, and for the space of Three Months from the said Canary Islands to the Equinoctial Line or Equator and for the space of six Months beyond the said Equinoctial Line or Equator and in all other places of the World, without any Exception or other more particular Distinction of time or place shall be restored on both sides.

And whereas the Ratification of the said Preliminary Articles in due Form were exchanged at Varsailles by the Plenipotentiaries of us of the most Christian King and of the Catholick King on the twenty second of this Instant November, from which Day the several Terms abovemention'd of twelve Days, of six Weeks, of three Months and of six Months for the Restitution of all ships, Merchandizes and other effects taken at Sea, are to be computed.

We have thought fit by and with the Advise of our Privy Council, to notify the same to all our living Subjects, And we do declare that our Royal Will & Pleasure is and we do hereby strictly Charge and Command all our Officers both at Sea and Land and all other our subject whatsoever to forbear all Acts of Hostility, either by Sea or Land against his most Christian Majesty and His Catholick Majesty their Vassals or Subjects from and after the respective Times abovemention'd and under the Penalty of incurring our highest Displeasure.

GIVEN at our COURT at ST. JAMES's the twenty sixth day of November in the third year of our Lord 1762.

N°. 65.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We wrote you last the 26th. Ultimo & have not since been favoured with any Letters from you.

From our having been disappointed in the Quantity of Salt Petre exported from Bengal we find ourselves unable to dispatch home all the [. . .] the ships on our Hands this season & have therefore come to a Resolution of

sending the Hector round to your Honor &ca. with the supply of Rice, mention'd in our last, also four hundred Bales of Cotton, and three hundred Candies of Pepper, that you may compleat a stock for her as a casual ship to China or employ her in such other manner as you may judge most for our Honble Masters Interest.

The very low state of our Treasury will likewise put it out of our Power to compleat the stock of our annual China Ship, to £40,000 the sum ordered by the Honble Company, We must therefore in this exigency have again recourse to your Honour &ca. & shall after putting on board the Cotton, Putchuck, Pepper & Sandal Wood provided for her, dispatch her accordingly to you, to receive such a supply of Treasure as may then be required to compleat her stock, which we flatter ourselves you will be able to spare without any Inconvenience to your Affairs. We hope to dispatch both her & the Hector in all this month as well as the Clive & Prince of Wales to Europe.

We think it necessary to acquaint your Honour &ca. that we have withdrawn our Factory at Gombroon that you may prevent any Vessels from your side of India touching there, for as we were obliged to take satisfaction for Injuries received, they might in such Case be subject to much Risque from the Natives.

Should your Honour &ca. be able to supply us with any Money we are to request you will throw it into the Hands of the President & Council of Fort William, as those Gentlemen can remit it to us either in Goods or Money, so as to produce a Gain to the Honble Company, whereas there is a very considerable Loss on the Gold, you have already sent us, & we cannot now draw on you but at a large Discount.

We are

Bombay Castle

9th. April 1763.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Servants

Cha. Crommelin.
T. Byfeld.
Ab. Douglas.
J. Spencer.
Cha: Waters.
P. E. Wrench.
Samuel Court.

N°. 66.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have now the honor to forward to you the Proposals which have been delivered me in Consequence of the notice given for reletting the several Farms of this Place expiring the 31st. Instant as you are pleased to direct they should be with you by the 15th. of the month, but I am still in expectation of others from Rajah Vencatramrauze a Jemidar of some note in this Country and the present renter of Tundurro Bondarra, Tummadee & Peddanah & Narsapore Salt, who having been for some time past in Baddea Jemah Cawns Camp settling with him on account his Rents, I have not yet received any from him, when I do they shall be forwarded immediately. But I was not willing to detain those delivered any longer on this account. The Circumstances & Characters of the People they come from, according to the general Estimation of them here and the little Knowledge I can pretend to have of them myself. I shall in Obedience to your Commands here gives [*sic*] you.

Madala Reddy and Bodapatty Goorauze, the present Farmers of Deve Gondoor & Aclamannar, esteemed to be in good Circumstances and of fair Characters. They have paid their rents always punctually.

Mova Caumrauze, considerably indebted to the Company which he has no Prospect of discharging.

Meer Bauker the Present Renter of Nizampatam, he owes a very large Ballance to the Company, but it is esteemed a man of fair Character and one who understands his Business, but has been unfortunate.

Condragola Juggapah Renter of Nellapilley, a Man of fair Character & in good Circumstances, has always paid his Rents regularly.

Madarauze Baganah, bears a good Character, is the present Renter of Goorjanapilly and has made his Payments punctually.

Mosalacontee Vencatramodoo present Renter of Bandarmalanka, has paid his Kists regularly and Mr. Dolben gives him a good Character.

Edoogala Narsingaraidoo & Codantram are People of good Character, but in Midling Circumstances.

I am with much Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

MASULIPATAM
11TH. MAY 1762.

N°. 67.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Present serves to advise your Honour &ca. that a further supply of Cash is wanted for the use of the Investment.

I am with the greatest Esteem
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. & most obliged humble Servant
THOMAS HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
5TH. MAY 1763.

N°. 68.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We address'd you on the 24th. Ultimo by the Nelly Snow accompanying Invoices and Bill of Lading of Bales shipp'd on board her.

The Warehousekeeper has represented that the White Ants have got into the Roof of the washing Choultreys at Bandepollam and that unless the Palmeiras are Tarr'd, the Cloth may be liable to sustain a considerable damage, and the scarcity of water in the Ditch makes it absolutely necessary to have a

well dug that the Cloth may be washed with the more expedition, as the expence of the whole will not exceed the sum of seventy Pagodas, we request your Permission to put it in Execution.

The Accounts of this settlement are now forwarded to you with an Indent of Packing stuff received from the Warehousekeeper which we beg may be complied with as soon as possible.

Ramma Lingum the Porto Novo Merchant now Exports in a Country Boat on Acct. of the Company thirteen Corge four Pieces (13 4) of Long Fine Co. Ps. fifteen Corge twelve Pieces (15. 12) of Long Cloth Chinnamanaickpollam and Co. Ps. seven Corge, four Pieces (7. 4) of Long Cloth Worriarpollam.

We are with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants

CHARLES TURNER.
JOHN CALLAND.
EDWARD RADDON.

CUDDALORE
15TH. MAY 1763.

N°. 69.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Having been obliged to put into this Port to obtain such Assistance as might enable me to proceed to the Coast, I have been under the Necessity of Aplying to the Honble the Governor & Council of this Place for the aid of one thousand Spanish Dollars, which the Governor has consented to, on giving him my Draft on your Presidency. I have therefore this day drawn on you Three Bills all of the same Tenour & date in Favour of the Honble David Boelen Esqr. or his order for that Sum reduced into Guilders at sixty Eight Stevers ℔ Dollar & Twenty Stivers ℔ Guilder amountg. to three thousand four hundred Guilders to which Bills you will be pleased to pay due honor & place to the account of the Owners of the Osterly & on my arrival it shall be reimbursed by you.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Respectfull and Obedient
Servant
FREDERICK VINCENT.

MALACCA
17TH. DECEMBER 1762.

N°. 70.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Worthy Friends

We are ordered by the Government of Negapatam to present to you the three inclosed Bills and Advices one of which amounts (16363–12) drawn by the admiral Cornish on the agent Victualler of His Majesty's Fleet in India Mr. James King. The two others drawn on you, amounts one of them (680) and the other drawn by Messrs. Wm. Cléghorn, and Frederick Vincent (3400) we request that you will be pleased to provide us the Payment of the first mentioned and satisfy to the Contents of the two Others. But as the Commander Mecleshin (since that you have paid the receipt of the Factor Russel, in the year past) repd. 400 Spanish Dillars on (1360) at Malacca, you will be pleased to discount that amount, and to send us by the Bearer hereof (19083–12) instead of 20443–12 in 3975 Pagodas with 8 ℔ ctos. and 27 Fanams; amounting to Current or Star Pagodas 4293–29–3 Concerning the 4728½ Pounds Bawn and Flesh, the Payment whereof we presented you in the year past, we are informed that the amount thereof has been restituted by the Governour and Council of Malacca to the said Commander Mecclestin.

We are

Honble Sir & Worthy Friends

Your most Faithful Friends and Obedient Servants

P. Dormieus.
N. De Joncheere.

Pullicat
13th. May 1763.

N°. 71.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Conformable to what we wrote your Honour &ca. the 9th. Instant, our Honble Masters Ships Hector & Brittannia, are now dispatch'd to Tellicherry, the former to receive three hundred (300) Candies of Pepper, & the latter four hundred (400) Candies of the Article, & the like Quantity of Sandal, which with four hundred (400) Bales of Cotton is all we have put on board in part of a stock of £40,000 which the Honble Company have ordered for her, a Calculate of which will be transmitted you by the Gentlemen at Tellicherry in order for your making up the Deficiency with Treasure, which the low state of our Treasure put it out of our Power to do.

The Hector besides the three hundred (300) Candys of Pepper to be put on board at Tellicherry, has taken in at this Place four hundred (400) Bales of Cotton & 573 Pucca Maunds of Putchuck amounte. as ℔ Invoice enclosed to Rs. 52327–2–52 in order for your Honour &ca. making up a stock, for her as a casual ship to China, but should you think fit to dispose of her otherwise. you will in such case put the Goods for the China Market on any other ships bound thither & credit us for the Amount.

These ships having a large Quantity of Cables & Cordage on board for the Squadron, besides the above Goods, the remainder of the Gunpowder for your

Place & the Baggage of the four Companies of the 96th. Regiment their Commanders have represented to us that they could not take in any Rice for your Place, but we shall endeavour to send the whole or part of the two thousand (2000) Bags provided by some future Conveyance.

An Officer & twenty five Men of the 96th. Regiment returned from Surat embarked on these ships as ℔ enclosed List, & have received their Gratuity to the 24th. Instant.

We have this Day dispatched the Clive to fill up at Tellicherry for Great Britain & hope to dispatch the Prince of Wales directly home in about Ten Days & the Admiral Pocock shortly after, the want of Salt Petre from Bengal having made us much later this Season than usual in the Dispatch of our Ships.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Servants

CHA: CROMMELIN.
T. BYFELD.
AR. DOUGLAS.
J. SPENCER.
CHAS. WATERS.
SAMUEL COURT

BOMBAY CASTLE

29TH. APRIL 1763.

No. 72.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This Address waits on you by our Honble Master's Ship Hector and is chiefly to give Cover to an Invoice of two hundred and twenty five (225) Candies of Pepper amounting to Rupees twenty five thousand eight hundred ninety five and eighty Raes (25895-80) Laden on board her at this Settlement and consigned you by order of the Honble the President and Council of Bombay.

A Surgeon's Mate and thirteen private of his Majesty's 96th. Regiment and part of the Baggage of the two Companies landed here from the Windsor are also on board her; and the remainder will follow in a few Days on the Brittannia now here compleating her Cargo for China as is the Clive for England.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants

WM. HORNBY.
TITUS SCOTT.
WM. TAYLOR.
H. HURT.
WM. ASHBURNER.

TELLICHERRY

10TH. MAY 1763.

No. 73.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Having this day received the Proposals I advised you in my Address of the 11th. I expected from Rajah Vencataramrauze, I now forward the same under Cover to you and with respect to the Character and Circumstances of this Person I have only to observe, that he is a Jemidar of note in this Country, is esteemed rich, and has been always Punctual in his Paymants [*sic*].

I was yesterday honored with your Commands of the 11th. Inst. forwarded to me from Bandarmalanka the Speedwell Snow having passed this Place in the night, I have therefore sent to Mr. Dolben, the Invoice and Bills of Lading of the Consignments your Honour &ca. have been pleased to make me by this Vessell, that they may be examined, and have given him Directions to take Charge of them till they can be forwarded thither by Sea.

The Izzarees Suprafine shall be provided conformably to your Directions. And other Musters of Moorees sent as soon as they can be got in readiness.

Inclosed I have the honor to transmit you the Accounts of this Settlement for last Month and am very Respectfully

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your very Obedient humble Servant

John Pybus.

Masulipatam
19th. May 1763.

No. 74.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We received the Honor of yours dated the 21st. Instant and we return the Bills of Exchange with a Certificate on the back of each signed for to be paid in the following manner.

One upon James King Esqr. for f. 16,363. 12. or Pgs.	3409	3	—		
The 8 ℔ Cts. agio amounts to „ ..	272	26¾	—		
			Pags.	3681	29 ¼
One upon you for f. 3400 or Pagodas	708	12	—		
The 8 ℔ Ctos. agio	56	24	—		
			Pags.	765	— —
One Do. for f. 680 or Pagodas	141	24	—		
The 8 ℔ Ctos. agio	11	12	—		
			Pags.	153	— —
			Sum Pagodas	4599	29 ¼

When you will be pleased to discharge these three Bills of Exchange, please to be mindfull of deducting thereof the 400 Spanish Dollars which the Commander Meccleshin repaid at Malacca, after you have paid the Receipt of the Factor Russell in the Year past whereof we request you to send us a Certificate. We cannot immagine, that when the first Bills are not endorsed, the

second should be sent in that manner, whereof we are not able to give you any Assurance we request to be discharged with our Certificates since the endorsement seems to be impracticable at Malacca and it was neither observed in the year past which [*sic*] respect to the Bills have been pleased to pay at Sight.

We have the Honor to be with particular Esteem.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient humble Servants

C. P. DORMIEUX.
Nº. DE JONCHEERE.

PULLICAT
26 MAY 1763.

Nº. 75.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

I take this Opportunity of acquainting you that I made the Island of Borneo the 13th. Day of Septr. but could not get a Pilot either at that Island or Bangue occasion'd by the badness of the Wheather & incorrectness of the Draughts I had on board so was Obliged to find my way through without any Assistance from either & found it a very intricate dangerous Passage especially so late in the season as we was; having nothing but Gales of Wind & excessive squally, Hazey Weather with a great deal of Rain. In my passing the first Passage I lost 3 of my Anchors & 2 Cables among the Rocks & being led into a very great Error by the badness of Mr. Dalrymples Draught I miss'd my Passage to Sooloo & after having got to the Northward of the Island of Mindanao I was forced by the stress of Weather & strong Currents thro' a Passage among the Phillipine Islands at the extream hazard of the Loss of both ship & Cargoe, & all our Lives several times the 8th. of October I clear'd the Phillipines & got safe into the South Seas having lost all my Anchors but one & about a Cable & a half left & arrived safe at Macao the 29th. of October on my departure from Canton I have left some Instructions made from my own Remarks as also the ships Tracks with the Soundings & Shoals laid down from the same thinking that if a ship is sent there next season they will find them of service especially if they are dispatch'd sooner in the season. I remain with all due Respect

GENTLEMEN

Your most obedient humble Seervant

NATHL. TANNER.

SHIP ROYAL CAPTAIN
at the 2d. Barr in Canton River.
January 4th. 1763.

INSTRUCTIONS for sailing through the Passage round the North end of Borneo between the Islands of Banque & Balaba towards Sooloo & through the Phillipines to the Nº. ward of the Island Mindanao into the South Seas from the Westward in the MONTH of September.

After having made the Nº. end of Borneo bearing about E.N.E. & laying in the Lattd. of 6º. 31′ ℘ good Observances which is readily known by a very high Mountain call'd St. Peters Mount near the Nº.ermost Extream which ends with a Bluff Point not very high, off which lies 3 small low woody Islands

come no nearer the Shore then 6 or 7 Leags. (for within that Distance you'll find very irregular soundings with great overfalls of hard Correl Rock's) then haul away to the Northward till the No. end of Borneo bears Et. or E ½s you may then Steer away about N.N.Et. 6 or 7 Leags. when you will make 3 or 4 more Islands the Largest of them having a high Peak on it (towards the Wt. end) like a sugar Loaf whose top inclines to the Et. ward when you are to the No. ward of it, this Island is call'd Banque. You must leave all these Islands on the Starbd. hand or to the Eastward of you, off the two first of these Islands you'll have regular soundings for 4 or 5 Leags. in 38 or 40 Fm. Water soft Muddy Ground 6 or 7 Miles off Shore but you'll soon fall into Rocky Ground again; When Banguey bears E3N you may Steer away N.E. till you make three more small low Woody Islands nearly together keeping between 20 & 30 Fm. all course Rocky Ground, at the same time you'll see a large Island to the No. ward of you call'd Balaba having a small Island off the So.Et. end of it. Having made these Islands plain steer right away for the No. ermost of the three small Islands giving it a birth of about 3 Mile till it bears about E3So. then haul close round it for as you pass it the Body of it bearing from So. to Wt. So. Wt. you may come within a Mile of it carrying from 22 Fm. to 35 Fm. Rocky Ground & back to 20 Fm. fine white Sand, you must observe there runs a spit of Sand of about ½ a Mile from the East Part of this Island towards the South East I judge this Island in the Lattitude of 7o. 33′ No. when the body of this Island bears So. W 3 W. 2 Miles ½ or 3 Miles you have only 5 Fm. Correl Rocky Ground & 5 or 6 Miles N 3 Et. from the No.ermost part of the Island lies the Head of a white sand Bank dry at low water stretching away to the Eastward 9 or 10 Miles & from this sand quite over to Balaba is full of Correl Banks with very irregular overfall: as from 3 or 4 Fm. to 14 or 16 Fm. If it should so happen that you should have Occasion to work to Windward betweeen Bangue & Balaba you must take great care that the lead is kept going very quickly & as soon as you fall into 20 or 19 Fm. on the Balaba side put about immediately otherwise in two or three casts of the Lead you are in 6 or 7 Fm. & towards Banguey put about in the same depth if you are pretty near the three small woody Islands, for then you'll not be above 3 Ms. from a Reef of Rocks stretching from them almost over to Bangue but if you are 3 Leags. to Wt. ward of them you may stand into 16 or 17 Fm. with safety you will find overfalls all the way athwart the Channel & from side to side it is all hard Rocky Ground of different colour'd Correl & we found a strong current setting to the Eastward. From these three Islands we run N. 81 Et. Distance 46 making 66 Meridional Distance when we made St. Miguels Islands bearing E3. No. 4 or 5 Leags. they being small & a Bank of Correl Rocks running out to the Wt. Ward & No. ward of them for 5 or 6 Leags. & on some parts of it there is Breakers also the Wt. ermost part very irregular sounding which renders them extreamly dangerous provided you dont keep a very good look out at the mast head & have recourse to your Lead often for the greater certainty of being out of danger. If you find yourself on the Bank by hauling away 5 or 6 Leags. to the N.N.Wt. you clear it & may stand away to the Eastward & so to the Southward by degrees making your Lead your Principle guide & when you are clear of these Islands which lay in the Latitude of about 7.40 No. haul away to the SoEt. ward till you are in the Latte. of 6.50 No. or 1o. & having made 1o. 48 Et. Meridional Distant from St. Miguels you'll make two small Islands very near each other the So. ermost one being a single peaked Hummock & the other a roundish Hummock (which are call'd the Hares Ears) also at the same time you'll see a large Island with very high land bearing E½ N. or E3N which is part of the Island of Mindanao, between it & the Hares Ears lays the Passage to Sooloo for to the So. ward & So.Wt. ward of the Hares Ears as you stand towards them you make some low land full of trees with Shoals and Breakers to appearance very dangerous. If you should not be able to fetch Sooloo & be obliged to bear away for China provided the So.Wt. Monsoon still continues to blow among Islands There is a good Passage through the Phillipines but to strangers the Et.ermost

part will appear some what dangerous thro the Excessive strong Currents or tides rather & the Number of Islands we was forced thro it (by them after having been led into a very great Error by the Draught given to us for a guide) being off the Hares Ears you may haul away N.N.E. to N.E. untill you are in the Latitude of 8. 45. N°. when you will make 2 small Islands low & Woody about 6 or 7 Miles off shore you may stand between these & the Main of Mindanao finding no ground at 40 F^{m}. within 1½ Mile of the W^{t}.ermost one & the same over towards Mindenao about the time you make these Islands if the Weather is tolerably clear you make the Islands of Negr[...]es & Fuogos to the N°.ward & after you are past the first you'll make Bohol to the N°. Eastward they all being very high Land as is the most part of the Islands thereabouts (Just after you pass the first small Island before you round the point of Mindanao then bearing E^{t}. B.N. which seems then to be the N°. ermost extream of the Island, you open a fine deep Bay whose entrance is about 3 Miles over having 3 or 4 small sandy Bays as you run past it where I believe a ship may find safe Anchoring Ground there is a Reel of Rocks on the E^{t}. side of the Entrance which runs about half Channel over but the w^{t}. side to appearance is clear of Danger, we saw a town in the S°.E^{t}. part of the Bay) having past the E^{t} ermost part of the Bay the Land inclines rather to the southward for about 8 or 10 Leag^{s}. & then it forms a large deep Bay of 15 or 16 Leag^{s}. deep, the N^{o}. ermost part bearing E.3.N°. (if it is very clear) about 28 or 30 Leag^{s}. for which steer away & you'll find it to be the Island of Comaquin near the Coast of Mindanao (having a small Island off the E^{t}. end of it) it is very high Land & steep too, when you are passing this Island you'll make the Islands of Limasava, Leyte & Panaon with the N°. ermost part of Mindanao bearing about N.E.3.E. laying in the Latt. of 9. 40 N°. & above 4 to the Eastward of the Hares Ears you must steer then for the channel between Panaon & Mindanao being only about 6 or 7 Miles wide Leaving the Island of Limasava on the Larb^{d}. hand or to the N°. ward of you after you are in this Channel haul round Panaon till you make the Island of Leyte to the E^{t}. ward of Panon (which runs from a high peaked Mountain singly terminating in a low point running to the E^{t}. ward some part of it a fine Open Country) bearing N°. or N3 W^{t}. after you are up to this point which lies in, about the Latitude of 10. 18 N°. steer away about N.N.E. untill you are up into to 10°. 33°. N°. when you'll have the Passage fairly open to the South Seas leaving Omontrone Soloan & 2 other small Islands on the Larb^{d}. Hand & Linago with a whole Chain of Islands reaching quite away & falling in with Mindanao in the Latitude of 9. 35 N°. when you are between Panaon & Mindanao you'll make 2 small Islands one right a head & the other 10 or 11 Miles to the Southward of it now the only Soundings that we struck was by hauling between the S°.ermost one & the Island of Mindanao where you'll find a small spanish Settlement off which is good Anchoring Ground provided you get quite up to the top of the Bay otherwise you cant ride at an Anchor for the strength of the Tides which runs at the rate 13 or 14 Knots sometimes coming on in Eddies & foul Grounds.

℔ Ship Royal Captain
October 8th. 1762.

N°. 76.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^{r}.
President & Governor &c^{a}. Council
at Fort S^{t}. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I deem it a duty incumbent on me to lay before you some Remarks on Captain Tanners Letter & Instructions, sent to you from China, in the former where of he ascribes his not reaching Sooloo to the badness of the Draught with which he was furnished at Madrass. I flatter myself to be

excused should I be drawn in any Instance farther than absolutely necessary to shew that the Loss of his Passage to Sooloo could not be owing entirely to the Incorrectness of that Draught.

It seems to be allowed by the best astronomers, that the Lattitudes at Sea, cannot be ascertain'd by the most exact Instruments & most carefull observations nearer than 3 or 4 an Error may also arise in the Estimation of the Distance of Places & from other Sources, so that no sensible Persons will pretend, unless under very particular circumstances to determine the Latitudes nearer than within a few Miles of the Truth. If the Latitudes are nearly exact, I presume, there can be little room for Objection, that a Chart, on so small a scale as one Inch to a Degree, is very incorrect, since it is well known there is no Data for determining the Mer. Distance precisely.

In the following Table the Latitudes of the several Places in which the Royal Captain was concern'd, are expressed according to the Chart given that Ship at Madrass & from the result of, my own Observations since there is also a Column of the Difference between them & of Captain Tanners Latitude.

Places.	By Dr. del R. Captain.	By Londons Voy.	Diff:	By Capt. Tanner.
Abai	6°. 20 N°.	6°. 20 N°.	0	
N°. 1ⁿ. Borneo	7 6	7 1	5	6°. 31
Banguey Peak	7 19	7 21	2′	7°.
Cagay an Sooloo .. which may be seen above 10 leaˢ.	7 12	7 2	10	
The Hares Ears	6 38	6 41	3	6 42
Sooloo N°. Coast	5 57	6	3	6 20

It appears by the above Table that the Latitude in the Draught left here were exact enough in general & in none so devious as to account for Captain Tanners Mistake. The Difference between Banguey By Captain Tanners Lattitude & mine is 21—that of the N°. end of Borneo 30. As I have had many venture to affirm the Error in Captain Tanners Draught is very considerable Observations, as well to the Northward as Southward of these Lands Altho I could not maintain the Exactitude of my Lattitude: to a mile I will venture to affirm the Error in Captain Tanners Draught is very considerable to confirm which many circumstances may be urged. He describes Kuncy Balloo or Mᵗ. Sᵗ. Pedro to be near the N°. Point of Borneo tho it be 20 Leagˢ. to the southward. He lays down 3 low woody Isles off that Point which do not exist; There is indeed one small Islot or pretty high rock, with a few Bushes on it, near the Point but this does not answer to his Description. I am inclined to immagine his three Islands to be Mantannane and that he was at too great a Distance to distinguish it to be one only. If we may be allowed to judge from the result of Bearings, taken with Knights Compass from 15 Stations and regulated by a Base measur'd ashore, His Draught of the N°. Part of Borneo Banguey &cᵃ. has no similitude to the Land upon the whole it is evident he was never near enough to determine the Latitude of the N°. part of Borneo which he must have been, had he follow'd his Instructions, wherein he was directed to Banguey at which Place Pilots for him were then lying nor does his Assertion of the Impossibility of this hold good as the Draught he had is sufficiently exact of Maloodoo Bay where he might have been under Shelter. His Track shews he never attempted making Abai.

The situation of Simanah an N°. End by his Draught is N.E. by his Instructions N3E5 or 6 from Salingsingan the Latitude of which according to his Observance & mine agrees pretty nearly. I am persuaded the Distance between them will be found considerably more, however I do not enter into a discussion of this strait, as it is not meant to compare Captⁿ. Tanners Draught with others he never saw.

Captain Tanners great Mistake appears to me to have been steering ENE after passing Salingsingam, instead of an East or more Southerly Course, this carried him to the Islands of Manook Manookan &c^{a}. (which he calls S^{t}. Miguel) instead of getting Sight of Cagayan Sooloo. This was the more inexcusable as the Draught he had mention'd a report of many Shoals extending from these Islands to Cawely. The Sooloos who made Signals to his Boat from Salingsingan, but could not prevail on them to come there, informed me at Sooloo of this Course he stood & the fatal Consequences they dreaded from it.

His possitive Assertion that it is necessary to pass to the Eastward of the Hares Ears to reach Sooloo, I take upon me to contradict from Experience for tho' there is a very dangerous Shoal off Sallecoolakit where the Griffin Struck, yet there is an open sea to the westward, about 30 broad, between these & the Banks to the Eastward of Tiomabal & Tubigan. Going to Sooloo last year, the winds being much Southerly I could not weather Pangootaran & was therefore obliged to go to the Eastward of Tubigan the Soundings indeed, when we first got Ground were from 40 to 12 F^{m}. was the least Water our Boat could find, & to the Eastward it is generally deeper.

I flatter myself to have shewn that Captain Tanners losing his Passage to Sooloo could not have been owing to the badness of the Draughts he had, This I know, It was found sufficient, to direct the London. I beg to be indulged with Permission to add the recital of a few Circumstances regarding that Draught which appear to me of some Consequence to vindicate me from any unjust Insinuation.

This Draught was in great measure of Places I had never visited, so that its Incorrectness could not, I persuade myself, be any Instance of Negligence in me, nor give room for Imputation unless I had warranted its Exactitude; So far from this. It was remarked on the Draught that It was only meant to convey some Idea of this quarter not described in any other Draught, & was not implicity to be relied on.

I had with much Trouble collected Information of the Northern parts of Borneo from the most intelligent of the Sooloos & finding their Reports extremely different from the European Draughts I composed one from their information The Latitude: of Sooloo I had myself determined pretty exactly by frequent Observations in 1761 & had laid down the adjoining Islands to the Northward from Bearings I had then taken, these I have since found were exact enough to explain the Passage which was all I had in view.

Returning from Manila in Dec^{r}. 1761 I thought to determine the Latitude of the Islands which from the Passage between the Philipines & Borneo, would be a matter of great Consequence to the Ship intended for Sooloo; & accordingly ran down along the West Coast of Palawan & had an Opportunity of determining pretty exactly, the Latitudes of Banguey & Balabac tho' the want of a Boat & other reasons, not necessary here to be recited, prevented me from examining the Channel & adjoining Coasts of Borneo.

The Draught composed from the reports of the Sooloos, made the Latitude of Banguey & Balabac, very different from what I found them by Observation, but Whether this arose from an Error in the Bearings or Distance, was a Matter not easily to be determined. My run from Manila & the general Trenching of Palawan S^{lo}. instead of S^{o}. (as the Spanish Draughts represented it) inclined me to the Latter Opinion. The time the Sooloos reported to be in coming from Banguey, seemed to contradict this & confirm the former being erroneous. In this Draught I was guided by my run from Manila but there was a cautionary Mem^{o}. on it in these Words. " It is imagin'd the Distance from Banguey is not near so great, as here represented, to Sooloo " What more could have been done without Presumption?

As I only meant by this Address to vindicate myself from very unjust Imputation, I hope to be excused the Liberty I have taken. The Inquietude

the Royal Captains loosing her Passage to Sooloo has given me is very great & perhaps this may have carried me to a greater Length than I ought at this time I relye on your Indulgence to forgive an Excess of this kind & have the honour to be

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
A. DALRYMPLE.

FORT ST. GEORGE
25TH. MAY 1763.

No. 77.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This serves only to advise you that the Ship Britannia Captain Rous bound from Tellicherry for your Port is this instant anchorred in this Road having lost her Passage I can inform you of no Particulars as the Captain is not yet come on shore.

I am very Respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

MASULIPATAM
4TH. JUNE 1763.

No. 78

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

An unfortunate Accident of the Cotton in my Ships Hold taking fire detain'd me at Tellicherry untill the 19th. of last Month, when I recd. Orders from the Chief & Factors to Proceed to Madrass & am extreamly Sorry I have Occasion to inform you that it has not been in my Power to comply with them from the time of my leaving the Coast of Zeyloan I had Hard Gales from the Southward, on ye. 28th. at Noon being by a very accurate Observation in the Latitude of 12. 25. I from that time Steer'd Wd. that Night it blue [*sic*] very Hard & in the Morning fell in with Pullicat wch. Place mistaking for Sadrass bore away for my destin'd Port I the readier gave into this error, not having found any Current to the No. ward before (although I had constant Observations) & as Sadrass was the very spott I had Reason to expect to see first & likewise some Gentleman on Board who have Sail'd on this Coast for many Years being Possitive of its being that Place I did not discover my mistake untill Noon when to my great astonishment found the ship to be 36 Miles to the No. ward of Madrass, immediately stood in shore & drop'd my Anchor, The Wind blowing fresh part'd my Cable & drove too near, the Armegon Shoals to think of bringing up again was therefore Oblig'd to stand off the Wind increasing so much as to bring me under my Courses before Night was forc'd to continue under Sail, from that time, not withstanding my utmost Efforts to get to So.ward was

drove by the Rapidity of the Currents (which generally exceeded 40 Miles a day) into the Latitude of 15. 30. in the space of five days, upon consulting my Officer I found them with myself unanimously of Opinion that it would be impossible to regain the Latitude of Madrass without streching over to the E. & Crossing the Line, but this undertaking I thought very inconsistant with the Compy^{s}. Interest having a full Cargoe for China, & the Stores for Madrass being too inconsiderable to risque my Passage to that Place which would be the Probable Consequence of such an Attempt Mazulipatam being under my Lee the most Prudent Step I now could take appear'd to me & my Officers to be the securing that Port from whence I could inform you of my Situation & likewise easily reach the Streights of Malacca during the Western Monsoon.

I arrived here yesterday & shall immediately get my Ship Water'd & Ready for the Sea & to receive what you may Please to send I now wait your Orders how to Proceed, Inclos'd is an Acco^{t}. of every thing on Board the Britannia either for the Company or Squadron As I can have the Satisfaction to assure you that my misfortune proceed'd from no neglect or want of Assiduity in me but from a number of concurring circumstances which as they were not foreseen could not be prevented I flatter myself my Conduct will meet with your aprobation which that it may ever do is the Study of

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble Serv^{t}.

THO^{S}. BATES ROUS.

SHIP BRITANNIA,
MASULIPATAM
JUNE THE 5TH. 1763.

ON BOARD THE BRITANNIA FOR MADRASS.
Lieu^{t}. George Kinlock & 26 Men of the 96 Regiment.
6 Pioneers.
2 Cables of 17 Inches Kings Stores.
1 D^{o}. 14 D^{o}.
1 D^{o}. 13 D^{o}.
8 Casks of twine D^{o}.
2 D^{o}. of Lines D^{o}.
13 Chests Powder belonging to the Honble Company.
40 Barrels D^{o}. D^{o}.
& Sundry Baggage belonging to Captain Gruebar and Lieutenant Kinlock.
7 Chests of Powder being wet were sent on Shore at Tellicherry.

N^{o}. 79.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We addressed you under the 10 Ins^{t}. by our Hoñble Masters Ship Hector and this waits upon you by their Ship the Britannia having been directed by the Honble the President and Council to order her to [Y^{r}.] Presidency that her stock may be compleated agreeable to what they may have requested. And enclosed is a Calculate thereof for your Observation.

M^{r}. Hamson the Purser of the Hector having objected at the Foot of her Bill of lading to short Delivery on Account the Pepper being Green. We beg

leave to assure your Honour &c^{a}. there was no Foundation for its being made, in the first Place none being gathered at this Season of the Year and in the next that shipt on board the Hector was remarkably dry.

By the Britannia are Returned the remaining Pioneers of those brought round under Command of Captain Stevenson who have been paid to the end of this Month as ℔ List enclosed. The Remainder of the Baggage belonging to the two Companies of his Majestys 96th. Regiment that was here is also on board her.

We are

TELLICHERRY — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

18TH. MAY 1763. — Your most Obedient humble Servant

WM. HORNBY.
TITUS SCOTT.
WM. TAYLOR.
WM. ASHBURNER.
THOMAS DAY.

CALCULATE of Ship Britannias Stock to Canton Vizt.

From Bombay.

COTTON 400 Ba^{s}. [. . . .] 197	4	37. 1/3 @ 113 ℔ Candy						
		113 R^{s}. ℔ Candy			22,288	3	44	
Surat Charges.								
Customs 4 ℔ C^{s}.			445	3	10			
Freight on 200 B^{s}.			500	–	–			
Boat & Cooley hire on D^{o}.			113	3	–			
						1059	2	10
						23347	1	54
Put on board here . . . @ 2/6 ℔ Rupee								2918 10 11½
	Ca^{s}.							
PEPPER	300			38,946	–	–		
	Ca.							
SANDALL WOOD	400			51,600	–	–		
Charges —			287	1	45			
Customs at 1 Fan. ℔ CD^{Y}.—			140	–	—			
				427	1	45		
						90,973	1	45
@ 2/6 ℔ Rupee . . .								11371 15 10½
							L^{s}.	14,291 6 10½

TELLICHERRY 18TH. MAY 1763 — ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ JOSEPH SMITH
Accomp^{t}.

No. 80.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letter dated the 26th. Ultimo.

Having agreable to your Directions provided a Corge of Salampores fine & one Corge of Salampores Ordinary, We now forward them to you by a Country Boat.

Ramma Lingum the Portonovo Merchant exported a few days ago in a Chillingah on the Companys Account Six Corge (6)Co. of Long Cloth Fine Six Corge (6)Co. of Long Cloth Chinnamanaickpollam and two Corge Eight Pieces (2.8)Co. Ps. of Long Cloth Worriarpollam. We are with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Cuddalore
10th. June 1763.

Your most Obedient humble Servants
Charles Turner.
John Calland.
Edward Raddon.

No. 81.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We beg leave to inform your Honor &ca. That a Greek Merchant named Demestrus Kiriaki de Nicolay has been lately arrested here on the part of Mr. Christoffel de Wendt of Chinsuray for the Sum of ARs. 7286 besides the Respondentia Interest of 10 ℔ Cent; & that he has found means to abscond to Tranquebar to avoid this just Payment & from thence it is imagin'd to your Presidency. We are likewise informed by the Justiciary of this Place that he is indebted, & been summon'd to pay John Blackford an English Merchant at Bombay the sum of 8585 Rs. we therefore request that your Honors If he is found any where under your Jurisdiction will be pleased to order him to be arrested & inform us of it in order that Justice may take its Course. We shall always be ready on a like occasion to assist your Honors being

Honble Sir & Sirs

Negapatam
4th. June 1763.

Your faithfull Friends & obedient humble Servants
Ch. Van Teylingen.
De. C. Vick.
Bonk.
Canter Visscher.
Bonte.
Severin.
Pieters.

No. 82.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letters of the 7th. March and agreeable to your request We have given Orders to each of the Factories of Patna & Chittagong for raising five hundred Seapoys for the Service at Manilha on the Terms you mention; If they succeed they shall be transported either to your Place or directly thither as may be possible.

You were advised in our Letter of the 17th. March of the Arrival of the Winchelsea from Vizagapatam and we are now to acquaint you that she has been let at Freight for the Space of twenty Months from the 1st. Instant, Copy of our Instructions to Captain Howe putting him under the Orders of the Freighters We here enclose for your Information and Guidance in Case that Ship should touch at your Port during the Term of her Affreightment.

The Boscawen & Osterly having taken on board Cargoes of Rice now proceed to your Consignment and we hope will arrive with you in due Time to be dispatch'd to China. Enclosed you will receive their Respective Invoices & Bills of Lading with other Papers agreable to their Lists of Packet

Captain Braund of the Boscawen being at Present in a very bad state of Health, We have granted him Permission to remain behind, and rejoin his ship as soon as his Health will Permit; His Chief Officer Mr. Morris, there fore proceeds in the Charge of the Ship to Madrass.

We find ourselves greatly in want of Teak Timbers & Plank for every purpose both of publick & Private Building. If therefore you can supply us with any particularly with those about 25 foot Long & upwards of 1 Foot square it will be a very material Assistance to us.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. humble Servants
Henry Vansittart.
S. Batson.
Wm. Billers.
Warren Hastings.
Randr. Marriott.
H. Watts.

Fort William
4th. April 1763.

To The Honble Captain Thomas Howe
Commander of the Ship Winchelsea.

Sir,

Your Ship being let at Freight unto Henry Vansittart Esqr. for himself & other Freighters for the Space of twenty Months from this date you are hereby directed to put yourself under his or their Orders and follow such Instructions as you may receive from them during that time and in very Respect to regard them as you would do the Orders & Instructions of the Honble

United East India Company agreable to the Terms of Charter Party Alike Power and Authority over the Ship having been granted the said Freighters by an Agreement enter'd into between them and us.

We are

SIR

Your most Obedient Servants

(Sign'd) HENRY VANSITTART
&C^A. COUNCIL.

FORT WILLIAM
1^ST. APRIL 1763.

A True Copy

W. MAJENDIE
Sub Secretary.

N°. 83.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^A. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

The Royal George having received a full Cargo for Europe was dispatch'd from Town the 18^th. Ultimo but in her way down the River, Missing Stays, she was unfortunately driven upon the Gillingham Sand where she lay several Days, & was in the utmost Danger of being totally lost, however, by the staving her water & otherways lightning her she was got off, but received so much Damage, that she was obliged to return to Town to get repaired.

The Ashburnham, being fully loaden for Europe, her Dispatches were also sent down to her at the same time but the Violence of Southerly Winds have prevented her moving from Ingerlee.

The Boscawen & Osterly having received on board as much Rice as the Weather would permit were dispatch'd for your Presidency the 4^th. Ultimo, but by unfavorable Winds cou'd not leave Ingerlee till near the End of the Month & then meeting with very blowing Weather before they were clear of the Sands lost most of their anchors & Cables which obliged them to put back into the River; As there are no proper Cables to be got here for their Supply & the Season is now so far advanced, it will be impossible for them to make a second Attempt. We have therefore determined to dispatch them to Europe as early as possible next Season, & the Captains have requested Leave to bring their Ships up to Town to prepare them for the Voyage.

We purpose delivering the Royal George & Ashburnham their Dispatches again as soon as the Season will permit & we compute we shall have for next Season, full Cargoes for five Ships, of the Boscawen & Osterly will be two. If therefore after allowing three Ships of the present year to be dispatch'd by us & reserving besides, so much Tonnage as you can provide for on the coast more ships shou'd come out this season consign'd to Coast & Bay than can be return'd upon this Computation, you may dispatch the Surplus Ships to China in the Room of the Boscawen & Osterly which will prevent our Honble Masters suffering any Loss of Demurage by those Ships being forced back into the River.

Accompanying you will receive a Packet Address'd to the Court of Directors which We request may be forwarded by the first opportunity from your Place or Bombay. It is a Third Copy of our Advices by the Royal George & Ashburnham With our next We shall send you a fourth Copy. We likewise transmit you Triplicates of our Letters by the Ship's Boscawen & Osterly.

If you can possibly procure us some Europe or Coir Cables from 18 to 21 Inches, We desire you will forward them to us with the utmost Expedition, as we have not one in our Stores of that Dimension & are in great want of them to supply the Europe Ships.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servants
Henry Vansittart.
Samuel Batson.
William Billers
Warren Hastings.
Randh. Marriott.
Henry Watts.

Fort William
The 16th May 1763.

No. 84.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letter of the 11th. of April agreable to what formerly wrote you We should have sent you the Supply of Rice provided for the Use of your Garrison by these Vessels but the Commanding Officer of His Majestys Ships now here, representing the necessity of sending a Supply of Bread to the Squadron, We were under the necessity of Complying therewith, by which means We were not able to put on board any Rice, & as we have certain Information that large Supplies have been sent you from Bengal besides the Quantity of this Article which has been exported by private Vessels from hence, which will render our now furnishing you unnecessary, We have sold that provided for your Use at publick Outcry.

Our Honble Masters Ship Prince of Wales left this Port the 23d. Ultimo for great Britain.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants
Chas. Crommelin.
Thomas Byfeld.
Alex: Douglas.
John Spencer.
Chars. Waters.

Bombay Castle
3d. June 1763.

P.S.—We have this Day granted a Set of Bills on your Honor &ca. for Arcot Rupees 7619. 48 Cash for the like Sum received here in favor of Joseph Barret Esqr. which we request you will duely honor.

Chas. Crommelin.
Thos. Byfeld.
Alex: Douglas.
John Spencer.

No. 85.

To The Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Fort St. George being bound to your Place, we have taken the Opportunity of sending by her such Bales as we have ready in hand as ℔ Invoice & Bill of Lading Enclosed.

We are sorry to Inform your Honor &ca. that the Merchants pays so little regard to their Contract, notwithstanding our repeated Remonstrances to them that we are at a Loss what measures to take with them, having not brought in more than Sixty Bales & but little prospect of more to all Appearance, what they have brought in being so bad & Short of Measure that in the Sortings two thirds of it has been turn'd out.

No monthly allowance having as yet been made to the Council here; we shall be Glad to have your directions about it.

The Accounts for this Settlement for the month of May now wait on you & we remain with respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants
Chars. Turner.
John Calland.
Edward Raddon

Cuddalore
4th July 1763.

No. 86.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

My last to your Honor &ca. was under date of the 5th. Ultimo, in which I desired a further supply of Cash might be sent for the use of the Investment. This is purposely to Inclose you the Month Accounts for April.

I am with the greatest Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedt. & most obliged humble Servant
Thomas Heath

Vizagapatam
21st. of June 1763.

No. 87.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Hector anchored in this Road the 26th. at night and the next Day I received your Commands by her of the 24th. The Treasure and French Prisoners were transported from her to the Britannia yesterday, when I delivered the Captains of both ships the dispatches you were pleased to inclose me, They embarked this Morning & weighed with a fresh land Wind. I have now the honor to forward to you, Copy of my Letter to the Supra Cargoes in China, Captain Rous's third Bill of Lading for the Treasure shipp'd on

board the Brittannia the second having been forwarded in my Duplicate Letter to the Supra Cargoes ℔ Hector & three Receipts for twenty four unserviceable Peices of Ordnance put on board Captain Rous's Ship at Kintlage, & am very respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your very Obedient humble Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

MAZULIPATAM
29TH. JUNE 1763.

No. 88.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We had the Pleasure of writing to you under date of the 18th. of October ℔ Royal George on which Ship embarked Samuel Ardley Esqr.

By advices from the Streights of Sunda we have received the agreable news that the French Squadron under the Command of Monsieur Johannes. had sailed 16th Octr. Ult. from Princes Island, for Mauritius, that the Royal George passed Bantam Point the 5th. Novr. & Grosvenor was entering the Streights the 15th. of Octr. bound to Canton by the Pitt's passage.

The Earl Temple not having deviated from the Voyage intended her by Mr. Ardley, imported here the 27th. Decr. she has come into this port in a very bad condition & upon an inspection she proves so defective, that we have been obliged to send her to Batavia to be thoroughly repair'd, & if no unforeseen difficulties arise, we purpose sending her to China agreable to the Company's Intentions.

The lowness of our Cash, and the inevitable charges that must attend the repairing the Earl Temple computed at least at $30,000 Thirty thousand Spanish Dollars has induced us to send John Herbert Esqr. to Batavia to raise money there on Credit, for which purpose, & to afford us a supply in Case our Ships should meet with any Accident, we have granted that Gentleman Letters of Credit for the amount of $60,000 Sixty thousand Spanish Dollars, & we are to request that your Honor &ca. Council will except [*sic*] of such Drafts as he may make on you upon that Account.

Messrs. Carter & Nairne having offer'd to lend the Company some Gold in the present exigencies, we have accepted it on Condition that the said gold should be assay'd at Batavia & proper Certificates together with the Assay forwarded to your Honor &ca. Council, & whatever the Value of the Assay may be at your Mint we have agree'd to determine the price of it & as the Company take upon themselves the risk from the time of weighing it, they have agreed to allow a deduction of Two ℔ Cent we have therefore to desire you will adjust the same & pay the true Value of it as follows:

	Oz.	Dwts.	Grs.	
	359	10	22	of Gold to the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr. & the Owners of the Chilligony Snow or their Representatives.
	110	9	13	of Gold to Samuel Ardley Esqr. or order
Oz.	470	—	11	value at thirteen Pagodas fifteen Fanams and fifty two Cash ℔

Table of twenty six Penyweights & twelve Grains makes Pagodas 4760. 17. 52 Four thousand seven hundred & sixty Pagodas seventeen Fanams & fifty two Cash for which sum we have granted conditional Certificates, & shall Credit your Presidency for the same referring what difference there may be between this Estimate & the real value untill we receive your advices.

We have given directions to John Herbert Esqr. that should the Earl Temple's Repairs detain her longer than the last of May, to dispatch her direct to China, but if they can be Compleated sooner to send her here, with the remainder of the Company's stores lying at Batavia; we beg leave to recommend to you to provide her as much Treasure as will purchase her a Cargoe for England; as we are yet uncertain in what manner the Company will dispose of the Pepper here, but should no orders arrive thereon & the Temple import here in proper time we hope to be able to give her a Lading.

We wish you a happy issue to your Expedition to Manilha & remain with Esteem

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient humble Servants

FORT MARLBRO

10TH. FEBRUARY 1763.

ROGER CARTER
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN GAYER
JOHN HERBERT

P.S.—We have taken the Liberty of Granting the Following Bills on your Presidency both dated the 15th. Instant for Value deposited here.

1 Sett in favor of Stokeham Donston payable to Robt. Turing or order Exchange @ $ 16 ℔ Pagodas 10 for	Pags.	453	26	—	$	725	3	60
1 Sett in favor of Edward Coles payable to Mr. James Hay or Order @ $ 16 ℔ Pags. 10 for	Pags.	100	—	—	$	160	—	—
2 Setts amounting to ..	Pags.	553	26	—	$	885	3	60

FORT MARLBRO
16TH Febr. 1763.

ROGER CARTER
ROBERT NAIRNE
JOHN GAYER
JOHN HERBERT

No. 89.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This serves to convey to your Honor &ca. a Letter from the President & Council of Fort Marlbro, as also two Packets received by the Saubat Jong from the Deputy Governor of Manilha which Containing matters of Consequence they have desired me to forward by the most speedy Conveyance possible, I therefore dispatch it to you Express by the Honble Company's Sloop Sea Nymph, Captain Atenton, as I did not think it prudent to wait longer, and send at last by a foreign Conveyance.

In my Passage hither in the Earl Temple from Fort Marlbro I spoke with the Valentine, Captain William Fernel bound for that Port, having before touch'd at this Place, By her I received orders from my Honble Masters also many private Letters for your Honor & Presidency, & that of Fort William & Bombay, they are likewise forwarded herewith, & I hope by this, the said ship Valentine is about sailing from the West Coast with a Cargo of Pepper for China.

The Repairs of the Earl Temple being absolutely refused, and the Condition she was in, two [*sic*] bad for her to proceed to the Malabaar Coast, agreable to my Orders, together with many other Circumstances, have made me resolve to dispatch her for Manilha time enough I hope to save this season from China.

Herewith you will please to Receive the Assay Masters Certificate of the touch of the Gold purchased of the Owners of the Chitigong Snow, and Samuel Ardley Esq^{r}. as also one half Ounce of each Parcel with proper marks thereon, for your better Government in Checking the Assay & for Liquiditating that Account with the Proprietors. The Price of that Article is much fallen in Batavia, & the Honble Company must Sustain a Considerable loss by that purchase, arising from there being no other Purchasers, but the Dutch Company themselves.

Having received orders from the Honble Court of Directors under date the 4th. June 1762 by their Ship Valentine to Continue my residence at Batavia and that they had desired of your Honor & the other Presidencys to furnish me with what Information & hints you should from time to time think necessary for my Goverment, I take the first opportunity of acquainting you that the General & Council of this place have refused to Permit any Person here as Resident for the Honble Company, I find myself therefore under the disagreable Necessity of proceeding as soon as possible to make the proper Demonstrances on this subject to Admiral Cornish, thinking that when I have laid before him the orders of my honble Masters, he will back & strengthen their applications by the authority with which is invested, as Commander Chief of his Britanick Majesty's squadrons in India, & I hope also to Demonstrate Clearly to him that there never was a Period of time when there was a more Immediate occasion for an English Resident than the Present.

The ship Plassey being in a very bad Condition, I am now repairing her & propose taking my passage in her as soon as she possibly can be ready to proceed to the West Coast, which I Conclude will be about the 20th. of June.

I am with much respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient & most humble Servant

JOHN HERBERT.

BATAVIA
10TH. May 1763.

N°. 90.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since I had the pleasure to write you under date the 10th. Instant I have received a Letter from Captain Parson Fenner, who Commanded their Honors Ship the Walpole, which was unfortunately taken in the month of September last off Ceylon; & as it Contains particular Intelligence concerning two divisions of the Enemy's Squadron I herewith transmit you Copy for your Government; I have by this Conveyance communicated the same to Admiral Cornish, & the other presidency's & shall do the like to Manilha & China by first Conveyance—nothing further offering I remain with the most perfect regard

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble Servants

JOHN HERBERT.

BATAVIA
21ST. May 1763.

SIR

I have the misfortune to acquaint you of the Loss of the Hoñble Companys Ship Walpole, which was taken in Sight of Ceylon the 20th. September 1762, By three French Men of War, under the Command of Monsieur Pelleire in the L'Vengeur of 66 Guns 750 Men, the other two being the Conde of 54 Guns 650 Men, Captain Debelsme & the Fidelle of 36 Guns 200 Men Captain Roche, on the 23d. they fell in with a large English Ship, who began to engage them in a running fight, but the French in a very short time thought proper to quit the Chace & inform'd me they knew her to be the Chatham of 50 Guns, alledging their having very Particular orders not to engage Men of War, if they could any ways avoid it, as it might be a means of preventing them from persevering in their intended Expedition, whch I learn was as follow's (they having held a Council) that on their quitting the Station of Ceylon, they were to cruiz of Point Palmeris in the Bay of Bengal from thence to attack some of our small Settlements in India having Mortars & all other Materials on board, necessary for Carrying on a Seige, this was confirm'd at the Island of Mauritius, were I arrived in the prize the 5th. of November I likewise learnt that a French Frigate call'd the Diligence, in September last intercepted a Letter wrote by the Governor of Tellichery to the Commander of the Medway who was then in sight of Tellichery setting forth that Admiral Cornish and Colonel Draper with 7 Sail of the Line, & 2000 European Land Forces Sail'd from Madras in the Month of August, on an Expedition to Manilha, with orders for the Medway to join them as soon as possible.

There are Six Sail of French Men of War, which I have great reason to imagine are intended to cruize off or attack St. Helena, their names as follows. The Fortune 64 Guns 650 Men, on board of which was Mr. St. George, but now commanded by Mr. Seville, the Count D'Argenson 64 Guns 600 Men, the Valiant 64 Guns 600, the Count D'Artois 64 Guns 600 Men, the Marsiac 28 Guns 200 Men, the Duc de Choisel 28 Guns 200 Men, without the Death of Mr. St. George should make an Alteration as he was Generalissimo of both land & sea Forces in India, belonging to the King of France, who departed this Life the 24th. of January 1763, In the Passage from the Island Maurituis.

Sir I request you will as soon as possible forward this Intelligence to all your Governors in India making it known to all Commanders of the Hoñble Company's Ships you may have an Opportunity of seeing as the Omission may be attended with Great Loss & ill Conveniencies to our Hoñble Masters. Your Compliance will very much oblige.

SIR

Your most Obedient humble Servants

(Signed) PARSON FENNER.

CAPE BONE ESPERANCE
11TH. FEBY. 1763.

No. 91.

TO THE HOÑBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS

Mr. John Smith has delivered me your Favor of the 25th. Ultimo, I shall deliver over the Settlement to him & Council as early as possible, & agreable to your Orders acquaint them with the Steps I have taken with the Merchants in consequence of the last orders received from your Honor &ca. respecting the Investment, I shall likewise so long as I continue here assist them all in my power in fixing the Plan you wish to establish in future.

All the Goods sent by the Amelia Snow was brought to account the 31st. of January last agreable to the Directions now sent, so that the Cloth now in hand & to be received will be deemed the Investment of this Year.

I have received the List of Goods to be provided for the year commencing the 1st. of February & ending the 31st. of January 1764 the Directions in which I shall desire Mr. Smith & Council to attend to as strictly as Possible. The Remarks made on the Goods I sent up is likewise received, and have delivered it to Mr. Smith to direct him in the carrying on of the Investment in future; it is impossible for me to say what Quantity of Cloth your Honor &ca. may expect to receive by September as the Plan on which the Merchants have heretofore gone on, is from this time to be so considerably alter'd. I have now about One hundred & Fifty Bales ready to deliver to Mr. Smith which will amount very near to the whole Sum received by me this year, what further Quantity you are to expect I must leave to Mr. Smith & Council to determine.

I am sorry what I alledged in Vindication of the Charges made in my accounts was not thought sufficient, I have now only to request that your Honor &ca. will be pleased to permit me to defer paying in the amount till my arrival at Madrass, not having sufficient Cash by me for the Occasion.

The twenty thousand Madrass Pagodas & Stores sent by the King of Prussia are duely received & I am with the greatest Esteem.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient & most Obliged humble Servant

THOMAS HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 6TH. JULY 1763.

No. 92.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have the Honor to acquaint you that We arrived here the 3d. Instant in the afternoon & that We have delivered your Honor &cas. Letter to Mr. Heath, who has communicated to us the Contents & now replies fully thereto, to which We beg leave to refer you & remain with the greatest Esteem.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient & most Obliged humble Servant

JOHN SMITH.
GEORGE STRATTON.
CHARLES SMITH.

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 6TH. JULY 1763.

No. 93.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your Favour of the 7th. Ultmo enclosing Major Duffs first Bill of Exchange for One thousand (1000) Pagodas on Major Munro which has been accepted.

The late Arrival of the Windsor at your Place, it is true, rendered to impracticable for her to arrive here in time to be of any Assistance to the Ships of this Season, but still the Salt Petre on board of her consign'd to us would

have been of very essential Service by enabling us to dispatch a Ship to Europe very early in the Season, which is the more material as you can always have Supplies of this Article from Bengal much sooner than us, & consequently are less liable to be disappointed; We cannot therefore help being concern'd at your having determined to land it, more especially, as from what the Gentlemen of Bengal write, we have no prospect of receiving an early supply next Season, & may very likely on that Account be obliged to detain one of our Ships by which our Honble Masters will sustain a heavy Loss.

Your Letter to the vice Roy of Goa shall be forwarded in a few Days, & we shall also address him on the Subject at the same time.

Having been disappointed in the Supplies of Salt Petre intended us from Bengal, by the detention of the Ships on Account of the Enemy's Cruizers in Ballasore Road we were obliged to detain the Admiral Pocock & resolve to send her with a Cargoe of Cotton to the Bay, that the Gentlemen there might dispatch her home from thence or otherwise dispose of her as they might judge most for our Honble Masters Interest. She accordingly now proceeds, but her commander is order'd to touch first at your place to land part of the Detachment of His Majesty's Royal Regiment of Artillery on board of her which being perform'd, you will please to direct him to prosecute his Voyage to Bengal.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servants
Chars. Crommelin.
Thomas Byfeld.
Alex. Douglas.
John Spencer.
Chars. Waters.
Samuel Court.

Bombay Castle
26th. June 1763.

No. 94.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Having been ill for some months & finding myself to be worse dailey, must request your Honor &ca. will grant me permission to come up to Madrass for the recovery of my health which will oblige him who is with Great respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
23d. July 1763.

No. 95.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote to you under date the 13th. Instant whereof Duplicate now goes enclosed.

We have since received by the Royal Charlotte your Letter of the 1st. Instant together with the several Papers which accompanied it.

We are advised from Bombay, that you have promised that Presidency, a supply of Money to answer their pressing Demands, and as they cannot now draw on you but at a Large Discount that they have Desired you to throw the same into our hands, Drafts upon us being always procurable without Loss. We shall therefore Continue to draw Bills upon you at such opportunities as may offer, & if We can possibly fix the rate of Exchange they shall agreable to your desire be drawn in Pagodas.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants
Henry Vansittart.
Wm. Billers.
John Partier.
Warren Hastings.
Rh. Marriott.
Henry Watts.

Fort William
The 17th June 1763.

P.S.—On the 25th. of April We draw on you the following Sett of Bills of Exchange, which thro' Hurry of Business were omitted to be before advised—Vizt. [*lacuna*] [. . .] payable to Mr. Daniel De Castro for ARs. 10511. 4. receḍ here of Capt. Thomas Pearce.

No. 96.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The present serves to forward your Honor &ca. the Books of this Settlement ending last April & the Months Accounts for May & June.

I am with the greatest Esteem

Honble Sir & Sirs
Yiur most Obedt. & most Oblig'd humble. Servant
Thos. Heath.

Vizagapatam
The 20th July 1763.

No. 97.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since we Address'd your Honor &ca. last We have thought proper to call once more upon the Merchants as they still Continue Backward in bringing in their Cloth in Consequence of which they delivered in a Petition which we now transmit your Honor &ca. with the Accounts of this Settlement for last Month, as also Indents of Stationary & Broad Cloth which we beg may be Complied with.

Ramah Lingah (the Porto Novo Merchant) has Exported since our last the following Cloths Ling Cloth fine Nineteen Corge Sixteen Pieces, Long Cloth Chinnamanckpollam Fifteen Corge Long Cloth Worriarpollam fourteen Corge & Eight Pieces.

We are with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. hble. Servants
Chas. Turner.
John C[alla]nd.
Edwd. Raddon.

Cuddalore
26 July 1763.

To the Worshipll. Charles Turner Esqr.
Chief &ca. Council of Cuddalore.

The humble Petition of the Company's Merchants.

Sheweth

Your Petitioners are heartily sorry that the Undermentioned Obstacles & Misfortunes disabled them to fulfill the first Part of their Contract of the 1st. of August, particularly for want of Rains in due Season & just before the Harvest of Cotton, which in March Last when they Contracted an Investment thought will be plenty, but it happened quite Contrary to their Expectation, for in April last the Cotton yarn was sold at 10 lb. ℔ Pagoda in June it reduced to 7 & now at 5½. We Weavers by the Famine Exhausts one half of the Money advanced by your Petitioners for Cloth to their Food, & brings in Cloth for the rest even which not being Proportionable to the Musters delivered in by them, three Quarter part of them are rejected; Though your Petitioners sustains a Loss by this Investment yet they will use their utmost to perform their Contract as near as possible excepting the Shially Cloth; which though the Cotton yarn was Cheap, & your Petitioners exerted their best endeavours the year preceeding to Provide, Yet were not able to bring in a large Quantity, for they are Woven very thin and not answered the Musters; Therefore your Petitioners cannot expect this year to perform their Contract of the above Cloth? [*lacuna*] All which your Petitioners refer's to your Consideration & as in Duty Bind them shall Ever Pray.

Irishepa Chitty.
Nella Chitta.
Bowany Shuncria and
Ramiah
Saddasheva Row
Streeshilaputy.

Cuddalore
23d. July 1763.

No. 98.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favoured with your Letter of the 28th. Ultimo, & agreable to your directions have again call'd the Merchants before us & Demanded their Reasons why they did not comply with their Contract, they declared to us their Inability to fulfill it as set forth in their Petition which we Inclosed your Honor &ca. in our Last General Letter of the 26th. Ultimo, & still repeat Their Assurances of doing their Utmost Endeavours to bring in as much Cloth as they possibly can; We shall not make them any more Advances, & what Cloth may be brought in shall be Reckoned in part of the Advance, they have already received.

We have shewn the Muster of Sallampores you have sent us, to each Merchant seperately, they have all declared to us that they cannot Contract to bring it in equal to the Musters.

We are with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. humble Servants

Cuddalore
3d. Augt. 1763.

Chas. Turner.
John Calland.
Edwd. Raddon.

List of Cloth on hand of the Old Investment.

Embal'd	39 Bales	
Washers	32¼	
Beaters	39¾	
	——	111 Bales

Of the new Investment.

Brown	36¼	
Washers	36	
Dyers	44¾	
	——	117
		——
		228 Bales

No. 99.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This waits on you with the Accounts of this Settlement for the month of July.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most humble Servants

Cuddalore
13th August 1763.

Chas. Turner.
John Calland.
Edward Raddon.

List of Calicoes remaining.

Embaled	Bales	39
Washers		94
Congee		10¼
Beaters		40
Dyers		44¾
	Bales	228

No. 100.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favor'd with your Commands of the 11th. Instant, and have call'd the Merchants before us and made them throughly acquainted with the Contents of it, they seem to be sensible of their breach of Contract and the just reason you have to Complain of their neglect; they beg we will assure your Honor &ca. that they will exert themselves to the utmost of their Ability's in bringing in Cloth to the Amount of their Balances & that We represent to you the disadvantage they lay under, by their turn'd out Cloth remaining in the Godown & not return'd them, by which means they are much more straithned for money than they otherwise would be to make further Advances to the Weavers, therefore desire the turn'd out Cloth may be either return'd them, or such of it taken in at such an abatement, as may be adequate to its Goodness.

Ramma Lingum the Porto Novo Mercht. Exported on a Country Boat the 15th. Instant the following Calicoes on account of the Company, Long Cloth fine Eighteen Corge twelve Pieces (C. 18. P. 12.) Long Cloth Chinnamanickpollam three Corge (C. 3) Long Cloth Worriarpollam twenty Corge Eight pieces (C. 20. P. 8.)

We are with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most humble Servants

John Calland.
Edward Raddon.

Cuddalore
22d. August 1763.

List of Calicoes remaining

Embaled	48	Bales
Washers	79½	
Beaters	66½	
Dyers	43¾	
Bales ..	237¾	

No. 101.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Present Serves to Inclose your Honor &ca. the Account of last Month & to acquaint you that I duely delivered over the Charge of this Settlement to Mr. John Smith the 1st. Instant.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Esteem

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient & most humble Servant

Thos. Heath.

Vizagapatam
The 15th. August 1763.

No. 102.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since we last had the honor to address You, Our utmost Endeavours have been used with the Merchants here, to bring them to the Terms that your Honor &ca. wish to Establish for carrying on the Investment at this Settlement, but it is with the greatest concern We must acquaint you, that we have not been able to prevail on them to accept of them. We are afraid that there is too much truth, in the reasons they alledge for their refusal, particularly that the Dutch our Neighbours, are always willing to take any Cloths for a much greater price, than what we are allow'd to give.

We have held many Consultations on the Subject of the Investment, wherein Mr. Heath readily gave Us his Assistance they accompany this, & to them we must beg leave to refer you.

The Chints your Honor &ca. mention can be provided here, but as no one is acquainted with the sort of Cloth on which it was usually painted, We must desire your Honor &ca. will send us a Muster thereof, when we will immediately sett about providing them.

The Musters of Madrass Cloths having been delivered to the Merchants they acquaint us, that it is not in their Power to provide them for near the price, your Honor &ca. have ordered to be annexed to each price, & that in respect to the Vizagapatam Beteellas they are unable to furnish Us with any at a lower Rate, than what they had before contracted with Mr. Heath for, We shall therefore wait your further orders before We provide any more.

Mr. Heath delivered over the Charge of the Settlement to Mr. John Smith the 1st. Instant with the Balance of Cash being Current Pagodas (24,215–12–43).

We should do great Injustice to Mr. Heath did we not acquaint your Honor &ca. that he has done every thing in his power to assist Us with his advice respecting the Investment, which we hope will enable Us to carry it on to your Honor &cas. Satisfaction.

We have now two hundred Bales at the Wash, which will be ready by September, what flrther Quantity of Cloth We may receive by that time will be sent up brown as usual, unless we receive your Orders to the Contrary.

We have the Honor to remain with the greatest Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient & most obliged humble Servants

JOHN SMITH.
GEORGE STRATTON.
CHARLES SMITH.

VIZAGAPAM.
13TH. AUGUST 1763.

No. 103.

TO THE HBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Inclosed I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this Settlement for last Month. In which you will undoubtedly observe a charge for the Diet of Two Black Prisoners, one since April last, the other last Month only; They were both confined for Murder; the first after having murder'd three people at a House in the Pettah, attempted to murder himself, and it was for some time thought he would have died of his wounds which was the reason I did not trouble you with an Account of that horrible Fact; & a few days ago by the Carelessness of the Seapoy Centinel he contrived to make his Escape & has not since been heard of. The other is an Inhabitant of Narsapore where being intoxicated with Liquor he vilely Murder'd a Girl of about eight years old, and was secured by the Seapoy Guard & sent here a Prisoner; I examined him on his arrival when he made Confession of the Fact & had no other excuse to urge in his defence than his being in Liquor I do not find that any one was present when the Murder was committed I am therefore to request your orders concerning him as a Conveyance may probably soon happen for sending him to Madrass to take his Tryal should Narsipore be considered within the Limits of the Charter, which I am in doubt about, There is likewise a Charge in these Accounts for the Diet of a French Prisoner who is a Lunitick and had been turn'd out I imagine from some of Country Forts as he was found on the Island of Devee with Fetters on his Legs & almost starved; He was been confined ever since he was sent here as he is at times raving; I thought Humanity demanded the care of one in such unhappy Circumstances, but I conclude you would have him sent to his own Nation so soon as the French, shall have establish'd themselves on any part of the Coast, with an Account of the Expence attending his maintenance which will appear by the Accounts of this place from the month of April when he was first sent in here.

As the Flag Staff which stood here was placed within the enclosure belonging to the French Factory I removed it on the News of the expected Peace, & as the erecting it again in another Place will be attended with some Expence I request your orders for so doing & have inclosed as Estimate thereof for your Determination with an Indent for some Europe Cordage which will be wanted for that Purpose.

There are 13 Chests & 40 Barrels of Gunpowder lying here which were landed out of the Brittannia concerning which I request your orders I am likewise to beg a Compliance with my Indent for Broad Cloth forwarded in January last, having received only a few Pieces in part thereof by the Speedwell.

On adjusting the Books of this place ending the 30th. April last by comparing the remains in Specie with the remains ℔ Books there appear to be many articles Deficient & Surplus, an Account Particulars of which are now inclosed you; The former I conclude have arose impart [*sic*] from Stores having been issued for the use of the Garrison & not brought to Account & impart [*sic*] from the placing of Stores issued under Wrong Heads, & mistaking the Names of some for others which will likewise account for the many seeming Surplusses & as I wait to make these Adjustments before I close my Books I am to request your orders concerning them. I would likewise propose to open a Sett of Military Storekeeper's Books for all Military Stores, & Disbursements appurtaining to that Employ, to be kept in the Manner those accounts are at Madrass, if it meets with your Approbation.

I have the honor to be very Respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

MAZULIPATAM — Your very obedt. & most humble Servant

25TH. AUGUST 1763. — JOHN PYBUS.

No. 104.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This is only to enclose you our Consultations from the 11th. of April to the 12th. of Augt. & to acquaint you that the following Calicoes were exported the 28th. Instant on a Country Boat by Ramah Lingum the Porto Novo Merchant on Account of the Company: Long Cloth Fine seven Corge 10 Peices (7. 10) Long Cloth Chinnamanaickpollam three Corge (3) & long Cloth Worriarpollam twenty five Corge ten Peices . (25. 10).

We are with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants

CUDDALORE
30TH. AUGUST 1763.

JOHN CALLAND.
EDWD. RADDON.

LIST OF BALES ON HAND.

Brown	59 Bales
Washers	72
Beaters	25¾
Dyers	54½
Embaled	101
	312¼ Bales

No. 105.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The 7th. of June came to hand your favor of the 7th. of May & the 5th. Instant that of the 2d. of last Month.

A Consignment of a Box containing nine thousand seven hundred forty & three Quarters (9740¾) Venetians from Cochin & a Chest of Silver containing Rupees ten thousand (10,000) from hence and of twenty Chests of Musquets from Bombay having been made to the Chief and Factors of Anjengo by Ship Hector, which by a Letter received from them dated the 8th. June We learn had not been received, We request your Honor &ca. will advise us whether Captn. Williams acquainted you of it, & what Reasons he gave for not landing it.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble Servants

Wm. Hornby.
Titus Scott.
Wm. Taylor.
H. Hurst.
William Ashburner.
Thos. Day.
J. W. Slasse.

Tellicherry
9th. August 1763.

No. 106.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed you will please to receive Triplicate of a Letter from the President & Council at Fort Marlbro' received a few Days ago, by the Packet Boat Sea Nymph from Corie, whither it was forwarded overland; It's original & duplicate were I find, transmitted me, by the Admiral Pocock Captain Clough, which Ship, tho' she left Bencoolen 5th. Ultimo is not yet arrived, & having Certain Accounts that she is not in the Streights, I am afraid the Currents have driven her to the Eastward.

Your Honor & Council will doubtless long ago, have received Intelligence, of a Peace having taken place, which I hope will revive the Commerce & Manufactures in this quarter of the World The Havanah & Egmont passed for China the Middle of last Month, the former had a passage of 105 days from Portsmouth, & the latter which sail'd in January had touched at St. Helena. The French ships which were at the Cape, sail'd thence, in the Middle of April for the Islands.

The repairs of the Plassey have taken up more time, than I expected, but she is now in a fair way, to be soon compleated & will certainly sail by the 20th. of August.

I am with the greatest Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
John Herbert.

Batavia
21st. July 1763.

No. 107.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Hble Sir & Sirs

We did ourselves the Pleasure of Writing you in Duplicates under date 11th. Feby. Via Batavia.

We are under some Anxiety at not having yet any Vessel from your Coast, by this Disappointment our Necessities are become very pressing, & publick as well as Private Interest prejudiced, & we are in great danger of Losing our Trade for want of a proper supply of cloth to furnish our markets, We therefore request you to send us three thousand Bags of Rice by the first Conveyance as we have scarce three Months Consumption in our Godowns, but in this you will be guided by the Advices which you may have from the Presidency of Fort William whether or not they have, or intend to dispatch a Vessell with the Supplies We have requested from thence, Salt we have no occasion for at present as We have had frequent opportunities of purchasing.

The Valentine Captain Fernell arrived here the 19th. February, & will we hope be dispatch'd for Canton the Middle of July with a Loading.

The Admiral Pocock Captain Clough arrived here with Stores from Bombay 20th. Ultimo & now proceeds to Batavia.

We remain with perfect Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & humble Servants

Ft. Marlbro'
4th. June 1763.

Roger Carter.
Henry. Idell.
Robt. Nairne.
John Gayer.

(*P.S.*) We have granted on your Honor &ca. Council the following Bills of Exchange.

1 Sett in favor of Stokeham Donston payable to Robert Turin or order	Pags.	355	—	—	$	563	—	—
1 Sett in favor of Messrs. Robert Nairne and Stokeham Donston Attorneys to Captain Alexr. Hume payable to the H'ble George Pigot Esqr. or order		1087	24	10	$	1740	1	12
1 Sett in favor of Captain Robert Frazer payable to himself or order		562	18	—	$	900	—	—
3 Setts amounting to	Pags.	2005	6	10	$	3208	1	12

We remain with perfect Esteem
Hble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants

Ft. Marlbro'
4th. June 1763.

Roger Carter.
Henry Idell.
Robt. Nairne.
John Gayer.

No. 108.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Hble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letters of the 15th. June and 2d. Ultimo, and congratulate you on the safe arrival of the Ships Hawke, Neptune, Plassey & Falmouth, & are obliged for your Intentions of forwarding the Cloth consign'd to you for this Presidency, which We are strenuously to request may be done with all possible Expedition, as it is of the utmost consequence to our Honble Masters, the making our general sales early in the season, both in respect to the Prices & the furnishing us with Money for our several Occasions.

In future We shall attend to your Honor &cas. Request for making any Drafts We may hereafter give on You payable, in Pagodas & are on that Account to desire you will from time to time acquaint us with the rate of Exchange.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servants
Charles Crommelin.
Ts. Byfeld.
Ar. Douglas.
John Spencer.
Charles Waters.
Samuel Court.

Bombay Castle
14th. Augt. 1763.

No. 109.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Hble Sir & Sirs

Since Closing our Letter of the 14th. Instant we have received your Original Letter of the 20th. April mentioned to be stopp'd by the Mogul Army under Nizam Ally, & have likewise given a Sett of Bills of Exchange on your Honor &ca. in favor of Lieutenant Francis Wood of the Royal Regiment of Artillery for Pagodas 863. 2. 14 to which we request you will shew due Honor.

We are
Hble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Servants
Charles Crommelin.
Thos. Byfeld.
Ar. Douglas.
Jno. Spencer.
Chas. Waters.
P. E. Wrench.
Samuel Court.

Bombay Ctle
16th August 1763.

No. 110.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letter of the 13th. and agreable to your directions Twenty thousand Pagodas (20,000) was forwarded to Mr. Floyer as soon as a proper Escort could be got ready to accompany it.

The Merchants have been made acquainted with your directions concerning the turn'd out Cloth & approve of it upon this Proviso that in case your Honor &ca. shew any indulgence to the Merchants of Madrass with respect to the Customs, hope that some Consideration will be made them.

The Accounts of this Settlement for the Month of August We have now the pleasure of forwarding to you, & remain with the greatest Esteem

Honble Sir & Sirs

Cuddalore — Your most Obedient & most humble Servant

19th. Septemr. 1763. — John Calland.
Edward Raddon.

Account of Callicoes remaining.

Brown	..	..	..	..	..	..	49 Bales.
Washers	..	..	..	..	..	..	64¼
Beaters	..	..	..	..	..	..	30
Dyers	..	..	..	..	..	..	34½
Embaled	..	..	..	..	..	..	157
							336¾ Bales.

No. 111.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this Settlement for last Month.

I am in hourly expectation of the Vessel with the Bales from Bandarmalanka which shall be no longer detain'd than is necessary to ship on board those for this Place.

The Farm for the Masulipatam and Pondracca Salt expiring the 9th. of November, and that for the Pettah Juncan and Hydrobad Customs the 22d. of last Month I request to be favored with your directions concerning the reletting them but your Honor &ca. will be pleased to permit me in this Place to remind you, That there remains a considerable Balance due from the late Farmers of the Ponracca and Mazulipatam Salt, Towards the Payment of which I have before advised you I had taken Possession of the Salt they had on hand, which on Estimation I reckoned might sell for about twenty thousand Rupees; and that their debt amounts to upwards of thirty three thousand. If the Conditions the next Farm is let on, are that the Farmer shall have the Salt remaining on hand delivered to him on receiving his Cowle be accountable

to the Company for the Balance due from the late Renters, and he is to hold the Farm for one year only I am of opinion there will be no Bidders for it at the rent it let for last Year, which probably might not be the Case was the term prolonged to three or five Years, as the advantage of having so large a Quantity of Salt ready for Sale immediately on being put in Possession of the Farm, might be a Temptation to some to bid for it, notwithstanding the Balance it is encumbered with; But the Granting to the new Farmer the Priviledge of selling the Salt would interfere very much with the Interest of the present Farmer, as according to the usual method of Carrying on this Business, the old Farmer has been allow'd to Sell the Salt till the New Farmer had Manufactured sufficient for supplying the demands for that Article, which does not happen till the latter end of March or Middle of April of the ensuing year, as they do not begin their Salt Works till early in February; In answer to this it will undoubtedly be observed, that the Salt remaining on hand must be sold whether it be delivered to the new Farmer or remain as the Company's, to reimburse them the large outstanding balance due from the late Farmers, which remark would most certainly be just, but as the present Farmer will I am perswaded remonstrate against such a measure as as [*sic*] highly prejudicial to his Interest which I might be under the Necessity of troubling you about, I thought it proper here to state this matter to you in the light wherein it appears to me, that you might be the better acquainted with all Circumstances relating to this affair, & frame the directions you may be pleased to honour Me with on this Subject accordingly.

I am with much Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your very Obedient & most Obliged humble Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

MAZULIPAM.

16TH. SEPTR. 1763.

No. 112.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This Serves only to acknowledge the receipt of your Commands of the 3d. Instant ℔ Lord Clive, this moment brought me from Vizagapatam where I find that ship arrived the 9th. the Consignments by her for this place will be landed there, from whence I shall request the Chief and Council will forward them by the first Sea conveyance which Offers.

I am very respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your very Obedient & most humble Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

MAZULIPM.

17TH. SEPTEMR. 1763.

No. 113.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Not being able to Fetch in with Mazulipatam by means of constant NWesterly winds, and a strong NE current, I have thought proper (Considering the urgent necessity of a quick disembarkation of my Troops in Bengal) to proceed immediately for this place, without the delay of making a fruitless attempt, by endeavouring to strive against the stream.

I am just arrived here, & shall deliver Mr. Pybus's packet, as likewise the Muzulipatam stores, to the Chief of this Place who will forward them thither. & I propose sailing hence to Bengal to Morrow without fail.

I have the Honour to be Gentlemen, with great respect

Your most Obedient humble Servant

William Webber.

Vizagapm.
September 9th. 1763.

No. 114.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Favor of the 31st. July, & congratulate you on the arrival of the Deptford and Liverpool.

Soon after the Lord Mansfield's arrival we determined from the discouraging Price we learnt Cotton bore at Bengal to put up both her & the Bute Captain Maitland to Freight, & issued publick notice accordingly, but no freight being procureable we were under the necessity of purchasing Cargoes for them on the Company's Account, & the Lord Mansfield sailed accordingly the 30th. Ultimo to take in her Cotton at Surat, from whence she will proceed immediately to Bengal, as will the Bute as soon as she can be got in readiness; You & the Gentlemen at that Presidency will therefore be pleased to concert the proper measures for the future disposition of those Ships as they are now to be deemed Coast & Bay Ships.

We are

Bombay Castle
1st. September 1763.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Servants

Charles Crommelin.
Ts. Byfeld.
Ar. Douglas.
John Spencer.
Chas. Waters.
Samuel Court.

No. 115.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have already wrote you by this Ship under the 1st. Instant & this serves purposely to advise that we have this day granted a Sett of Bills on your Honor &ca. for Pagodas 863–22–14 in favor of Lieutenant Francis Wood, to which we request you will shew due Honor.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servants

Chas. Crommelin.
Thos. Byfeld.
Alexander Douglas.
John Spencer.
Charles Waters.

Bombay Ctle
3p. Septr. 1763.

No. 116.

To the Noble Council of Fort St. George.
for the Honble English Company.

The Council of Bombay transmitted to me your Letter dated the 7th. of May of this present year, wherein you inform me that at Macao there had been Wanting to the Commercial People of the British Nation the former Hospitality they had experienced there & further that there had been publish'd in 1763, an order of the Senate under certain penalties that no Inhabitant of the said City should let out or rent their Houses for the accommodation of the English.

For this procedure there are subsisting at Macao positive orders from his most Faithful Majesty prohibiting the admission of all Foreigners whatsoever excepting in Cases of indispensible necessity; the Cause or Motive for this prohibition were the Excesses committed there by Foreigners, of which the Chinese complained with their accustomed Jealousy. In process of time the execution of the said orders were discontinued which the Chinese again insisted on, upon occasion of the late dispute that arose at Canton with some of the European nations and as the suspecious Genius of the Chinese is very notorious it can't be helped often to Condescend in complying with their requests to obviate greater dissensions and for the preservation of the Trade.

The Noble Council of Fort St. George must be acquainted with the good reception the British subjects meet in all ports of his Most Faithful Majesty & in regard to your request I shall advise that the same good Treatment & Hospitality as formerly be shewn, with all possible caution, Attending the indispensible demonstrations of Friendship and alliance subsisting between the two Crowns of England & Portugal Wishing to convince the Noble Council of my affection in whatever shall be their pleasure.

Count Da Ega.

Goa
30th. July 1763.

No. 117.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Honor &cas. favor's of the 2d. & 31st. of July, the enclosed for the King of Travencore was immediately forwarded to him, & agreable to what your Honor &ca. wrote us, we have drawn upon you for the sum of Bombay Rupees Nineteen thousand (19,000) payable to Nilecantaker or order thirty days after sight, Our Letter of Advise bearing date the 19th. Instant.

Anjengo
31st. Augt. 1763

We are with respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants

Ths. Whitehill.
Authur King.
William Stratton.
Robert Sparkes.

No. 118.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Merchants turned out Cloth being all resorted, except the half Peices, which will by no means Answer for the Campany by there [*sic*] being either conjee'd or oiled in such a manner as not to take the Dye, We beg leave to lay before you how their Balances to the Company now stand.

Nella Chitty due from him	Pags.	3357	20 70
Streeshelaputty		3430	15 31
Bowany Suncariah & Ramyah		3319	3 62
Sadashavarow..		1711	10 40
Irshapah Chitty		727	24 6
	Pagodas ..	12546	21 55

The last Merchant having Cloth in the Godown to near the Amount of his Debt and being desirous of proceeding with his Contract, We shall be glad to have your directions whether a farther advance is to be made him or not.

The following Callicoes were Exported from hence the 22d. Instant on a Country Boat by Ramah Lingum the Porto Novo Merchant on Account of the Company Long Cloth Fine Six Corge three Pieces (Co. 6. P. 3) Long Cloth Chinnamanick Pollam two Corge four Pieces (C. 2. P. 4) Long Cloth Worriarpollam twenty Six Corge thirteen Pieces (C. 26. P. 13).

We are with respect
Honble Sir & Sirs

Cuddalore
26th. September 1763.

Your most Obedient and most humble Servants

John Calland.
Edwd. Raddon.

ACCOUNT OF CALICOES REMAINING.

Brown			77 Bales.
Washers			60¾
Beaters			48¾
Dyers			21½
Embaled	Blue 52		
	White 140		192
			400 Bales.

N°. 119.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Letter under date the 28th. Ultimo.

The Plassey is not yet arrived when she does, you may depend on her not being detained longer, than will be necessary for putting on board such Bales, as I may have ready.

Mr. Raddan having long been ill & having received the Presidents leave for going to Madrass, for his Recovery, left this place some days past, in hopes of meeting with it.

The accounts of this Settlement, for Last Month, now wait on you & I remain

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very obedient Servant
JOHN CALLAND.

CUDDALORE
6TH. OCTR. 1763.

LIST OF CLOTH IN HAND.

			Bales.
Brown			90¾
Washers			53¼
Beaters			27
Dyers			14
Embaled	Blue 61		
	White 160		221
	Bales ..		406

N°. 120.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have the Honor to enclose you the Journal parcels & Cash Account with the Account Particulars of the Increase and decrease for the month of August.

The Chief's allowance having been paid to Mr. Heath for July, Mr. John Smith has not Charged for his Diet Money &ca. for that Month but submits it to your Honor &ca. to allow him what you think proper.

We also enclose your Honor &c^{a}. a List of the Military whose time is, or near expired, and desire your orders for paying them their Bounty Money.

We have the Honor to remain with the greatest Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

VIZAGAPATAM. Your most Obed^{t}. & most humble Servant

23^{D}. SEPTEMBER 1763. JOHN SMITH.
GEORGE STRATTON.
CHARLES SMITH.

N^{o}. 121.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We observe & are Satisfied with the Disposition you propose for the Shipping of this Season, as we shall at all events have thereby sufficient Tonnage for our Investment, which from the troubles in the Country We have great reason to apprehend will fall considerably short in many Articles; Particularly in that part whould [*sic*] have been provided under the Patna Factory.

Upon Enquiry We find that the two Chests Medicines Landed here from the Ship Houghton were consign'd to your Presidency and not to the King's Hospital as was first understood wherefore your Honor &c^{a}. must debit us for their Amount.

The Royal George's Repair being almost compleated and the Season now approaching which will permit that Ship and the Ashburnham Proceeding to Sea, We purpose giving them their fresh Dispatches for England about the Middle of next Month.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS

FORT WILLIAM Your most humble Servants

THE 29TH. AUGUST 1763.

HENRY VANSITTART.
W. M^{c}. GWIRE.
WILLIAM BILLERS.
JOHN CARTIER.
WARREN HASTINGS.
RAND^{H}. MARRIOTT.
HENRY WATTS.

N*o*. 122.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your several Letters of the 30th. of July & 16th. Instant. The latter by our Honble Master's Ship Deptford which is safely arrived in the River.

It does not appear to Us from the Invoice of this Ship, that the Bales laden on her from England were intended for the Presidency of Bombay however, as you have already consign'd them thither, We shall debit them for the

Amount, transmitting a Copy of the Original Invoice. We shall also agreable to your desire take up your Warehousekeepers receit when we have landed the remainder of the Deptfords Cargoe.

Upon Enquiry We learn from Captn. Tryon that you have been guided in forwarding the Bales by his account of Tonnage, and as the like Circumstance may occur in the Cargoes of the other Ships We have only to desire that you will not fail to Dispatch to Us our full Consignment of Bales agreable to the Company's advices of this Season.

With respect to the Ship Plassey's Cargoe, as it will come down to us in parcells at Different Times We think it best to Credit Account Current London, and Debit your your [*sic*] Presidency for the Whole; and then again give you Credit for the several Dispatches as they arrive. To regulate you in your Entries, therefore, We now send you enclosed a Copy of the Original Invoice.

As it appears from your Letter of the 28th. Ultimo, that it is intended the Ship Admiral Pocock should return to your Place from Manilha, We herewith transmit you her Charter Party, and the Account Deficiencies from Europe, which came in her Packet from Bombay. The Amount of her Invoice of Cotton being Bombay Rupees 32,555–3–63 We shall Credit them for, and carry to your Debit.

Enclosed for your Government is an Extract of the Company's Letter to us, which fixes the appointments they have thought proper to make to Mr. Crooke.

We are

FORT WILLIAM

THE 5TH. SEPTEMR. 1763.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble Servants

HENY. VANSITTART.
W. Mc. GWIRE.
WILLM. BILLERS.
JOHN CARTIER.
WARREN HASTINGS.
RANDH. MARRIOTT.
HENRY WATTS.

No. 123.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Having Laden on board the Ship Royal Charlotte Captain James Tingle Ten Bales of the Cartridge Paper prepared for the Use of your Presidency this serves to enclose Invoice & first Bill of Lading of the same—the former amounting to Crs. 2331–9.

We are

FORT WILLIAM

23D. SEPTEMR. 1763

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble Servants

HENRY VANSITTART.
W. Mc.GWIRE.
WILLIAM BILLERS.
WARREN HASTINGS.
RANDH. MARRIOTT.
HENRY WATTS.

No. 124.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been duely honor'd with your Commands of the 15th. & 28th. Ultimo.

The Success Snow with the Bales from Bandarmalanka Anchored in this Road yesterday Evening, but being so very full as not to have room for the Chay Goods from hence I have taken out twenty four Bales of the Brown Cloth put on board her at Bandarmalanka which from the backwardness of the Merchants in bringing it in, could not be cured in time, and have replaced them by the like number of Chay Goods which I judged would be more acceptable, so that you will receive by this Vessell which I now dispatch to you, two hundred & ninety one Bales of the Bandarmalanka Investment, & twenty four Bales of Chay Goods from this Place, in all three hundred & fifteen Bales as per Invoice's & Bill of Lading inclosed. Your Honor &ca. will perceive by the Invoice of the Bales from Bandarmalanka what part have been provided on the new Contract, as those on the old are particularly distinguish'd, and I flatter myself the Cloth in general will prove to your Satisfaction. The quantity in [*sic*] indeed far short of what I expected at the begining of the Year would have been ready as the Merchants engaged that one half of what they contracted for should be delivered by the end of July which I then thought they would have complied with but Mr. Dolben having acquainted me in June, how backward they were in bringing in their Cloth, and of his apprehensions that they would fall very short of the Quantity they had promised. I set out immediately for Bandarmalanka to talk with them on the Subject and at a meeting with them required their Reasons for not having been more diligent in bringing in their Cloth conformably to the Terms of their Contract, they made use of many frivolous excuses on this Occasion but built Principally on the price of Cotton being considerably enhanced since the beginning of the year which was even difficult to procure at any Rate, and that the Dutch having greatly encreased their demand for Goods both fine and ordinary, and receiving any kind of Cloth without that strict regard to the Fabrick as was observed by us, the Weavers found more encouragement to work for the Dutch Merchants than them. These last reasons carried some weight, but in answer to them I observed that the Dutch Merchants had not always ready money in their hands to go to Market with, as they received a great part of their advances in Copper Spices & other Goods which was not the Case with them; That no such Excuses would be taken for a non compliance with their Contract, & that if they did not exert themselves in compleating the Quantity they had engaged to deliver by the end of January, they would be call'd upon for the Payment of the Penalty Bond they had intered into for Pags. 500 in case of a Non Performance of their Contract, and be no more employ'd as Company's Merchants, instead of being distinguished by some mark of favor if they behaved themselves so as to deserve it. They promised very fair, and I am inclined to beleive will do their best Endeavors to fulfill their Engagements, although I cannot flatter myself with hopes they will succeed, as the ordinary sortments of Cloth purchased by the Dutch are much more expeditiously manufactured than those we receive & are sold to them at nearly the same prices we give for ours although of a much inferior Fabrick, so that the Weavers will consequently employ themselves in such manufactures as will yield them the most Profit & require the least labor, & this is a Disadvantage our Merchants must be subject to & for which I can see no Remedy, as very few of the Weavers this way will receive advantages from the Merchants for any particular manufacture of

Goods, but purchase the Cotton & make the Goods on their own account, & then carry them to Market, where they sell them to the best Bidder, and in this manner is the greatest part of the Investment in these parts collected. The Merchants whom in my Address of the 19th. January I advised you had undertaken the Contract for fine Goods & to whom I had advanced 5000 Pagodas for the Provision of them, having prepared a small quantity before the Receipt of your observations on the Musters sent you, I gave Mr. Dolben orders to receive all such from him as he thought were fit to be taken in on the Company's Account, on Conditions that it should be left to your Honor &ca. either to receive or reject them on their arrival at Madrass, as you might see proper And you will accordingly receive by this Vessell two Bales of the several assortments as ℔ seperate Invoice inclosed & the Merchant writes to his Correspondent to receive upon his account all those which you may be pleased to reject. He has not delivered any other Musters since & declares he cannot undertake to provide Goods of a better Assortment than those before sent on the terms then proposed.

The Chay Goods which come by this Conveyance will I hope prove to your Satisfaction, they are sorted to two Numbers only, and the Romalls are of Different patterns as you directed & I hope will please. Great Care has been taken to keep the Goods in general up to the proper number of Punjums (which are mark'd by threds at the end of each Piece) as well as to the proper lengths & Breadths, and it will afford me a very particular Pleasure to find they meet with your Approbation. I have sent likewise by this Conveyance one Bale of Gingums of Different Patterns, which being a new provision, they run a little unequal in their Lengths & Breadths, & the Chay is not so Good as it ought to be, but should the Assortments be approved and thought proper for the Europe Market these defects may be remedied in future.

Shaik Dewan the Person who committed the murder at Narsipore comes a Prisoner in this Vessell. Inclosed is his Examination & Confession as taken by me, And another wrote in the Gentoo Language taken down Verbatim from his own Mouth in the Presence of two Witnesses, named Chickala Vencatasha & Mahomed Bauker Beg who came likewise in this Vessell should their Evidence be necessary.

I gave notice immediately on the receipt of your Orders for receiving Proposals for reletting the Farms of the Mazulipatam & Ponracca Salt, Pettah Juncan & Hydrabad Customs & Narsapore Town for the ensuing year & have now the Honor to enclose you those which have been delivered me in Consequence by the undermentioned Persons whose Circumstances & Characters I shall give you the best account of I am able as well from my own Knowledge of them as the Information given me by others.

Mova Comrauze, formerly Renter of the Pettah Juncan and Hydrabad Customs, on which account he is still indebted to the Company a considerable balance which there is no Probability of his being ever able to pay.

Reddy Naigue and Gomrauze, both Men of Substance and fair Characters, & have always been punctual in their Payments.

Gahen Labdeen, a Moor Merchant who has been many years an Inhabitant here bears a fair character but in middling circumstances.

Rustum Ally Cawn & Meer Said Hussain—The former is a Person lately come to settle here, is related to some of the Principal Inhabitants reckoned a Man of some substance and of good Character. The Latter was one of the late Farmers of the Mazulipatam & Ponracca Salt is esteemed a Man of very fair Character but has been very unfortunate.

I am in expectation of other Proposals in two or three days from Vencataramrauze the Muglatore Rajah, which shall be forwarded as soon as I shall receive them, but I was unwilling to detain these any longer.

I am with much respect

MAZULIPATAM — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

7TH. OCTOBER 1763. — Your very Obedient and most humble Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

LIST OF CLOTH on hand Embaled at Muzulipatam—Long Cloth ordinary brown 24 Bales Brown, and at the Wash at Bandarmalanaka About Sixty Corge of Long Cloth.

No. 125.

TO THE HBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HBLE SIR & SIRS

This serves only to inclose Duplicates of the several Papers sent you by the Snow Success which Vessell sail'd out of this Road this morning early with the land Wind & I hope will have a Speedy Passage to you.

I am with much respect

MAZULIPM. — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

8TH. OCTOBER 1763. — Your most Obedient and most humble Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

No. 126.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The 11th. Instant the Plassey Arrived & brought me your Letter of the 29th. Ultimo, with a Chest of Stationary. I now return her to You, with two Hundred & thirty Six (236) Bales, as ℘ Invoice and Bill of Lading herein inclosed.

The 7th. Arrived His Majestys Ship Baleine and having Landed 4 Eighteen Pounders with their Carriages, Sail'd yesterday.

Ramah Lingum Exported the 8th. by two Country Boats, Long Cloth Co. Ps. Fine, Nineteen Corge Sixteen Pieces (19. 16) ChinnamanaickPollam. Four Co. Corge Sixteen Pieces (4. 16) and Worriarpollam Eight Corge (8).

I am with respect

CUDDALORE — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

13TH. OCTOBER 1763. — Your most Obedient humble Servant

JOHN CALLAND.

List of Cloth Remaining.

Brown		83 Bales.
Washers		51½
Beaters		36½
Dyers		1
	Bales ..	127 [*sic*]

N°. 127

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Hble Sir & Sirs

We have the Honor to inclose you Invoice and Bill of Lading for One hundred Eighty Eight Bales of white & twenty Eight Bales of Brown Callicoes laden on the Ship Union on the Honble Company's Account amounting to Current Pagodas Sixteen Thousand five hundred Eighty Eight, Thirty two fanams & thirty Six, for which we have debted Account Current Fort St. George.

As we found it an impossibility of finishing the above Bales with the two Packers allow'd the Settlement we took the Liberty to employ four more, which we hope will meet with your Honor &cas. Approbation, they are now discharged, nevertheless we hope you will indulge us with this Addition of Packers, as you must be sensible they are constantly wanted as Coolys when we sort the Cloth both brown & White; we must also beg leave to represent to your Honor &ca. the great necessity there is for other Servants in the Different Employs of this Settlement, none being allow'd us and therefore we desire you will permit us to take four Conicoplys for the Service of the Import & Export Warehouse, Storehouse & Paymaster.

Ferdinand Werkmeister a Matross in the Honble Company's Service having for some time laboured under an ill State of health requesting our Permission to return to Madrass for the recovery of his health we have given him leave to proceed on the Union his having been incapable of doing Duty for along time past & having neither a Surgeon or Medicines here, are our reasons for sending him up, as he can be of no use untill he is recovered.

By the departure of Mr. Abraham who was employ'd here by Mr. Heath in the Character of a Surgeon, we are left destitute of so necessary a Person and we are therefore to request that your Honor &ca. will order one hither as soon as possible, some of the Military being now ill and it is uncertain how soon we may want one ourselves.

The Ballance of the Honorable Comps. Cash being low we desire an immediate Supply for the ensuing Investment, to encrease which our utmost Endeavors shall not be wanting.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient and most humble Servant

John Smith.
George Stratton.
Charles Smith.

Vizagapm.
The 9th. Octr. 1763.

No. 128.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote you last the 1st. Instant by his Majesty's Ship Weymouth and have since being favored with your Letter of the 15th. Ultimo, giving cover to a Duplicate of the 12th. whose Original is not yet come to hand.

,We have now the Satisfaction to acquaint you that our Honorable Masters Ship Lathom imported here the 6th. and the Talbot the 16th. Instant the former having touched at Johanna from whence the Pigot for your Place, sail'd the 29th. of July and the Lapwing about a fortnight before, which is all the Intelligence they have brought us worth Notice.

Inclosed are two Accounts Current with Captain Lysaught and Lieutenant Morgan the Balances of Which were to have been paid by Captain Gruebar, but our Paymaster being sick when that Gentleman left this Place they were Not adjusted, and we therefore request you will recover them.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servants

Chas. Crommelin.
Thos. Byfeld.
Alexr. Douglas.
John Spencer.
Charles Waters.
Samuel Court.

Bombay Ctle
17th Septembr. 1763.

No. 129.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This Address serves purposely to advice your Honor &ca. that we have this Day drawn two Bills of Exchange upon your Honor &ca. in favor of Nilcandtaker for Bombay Rupees Nineteen thousand (19,000) in which Currency we were necessitated to draw the Bills being what was most agreable to the Person we received this Amount from & which we request your Honor &ca. will Honor.

We are very Respectfully
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants

Thos. Whitehill.
Authur King.
William Stratton.
Robert Sparkes.

Anjengo
19th. August 1763.

No. 130.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed I have the Honor to send you the Proposals I advised you, I expected from Vencataramrauze the Muglatore Rajah, on whose Character 'tis unnecessary to say further then that he is a Man of Substance & has been always punctual in his Payments.

The Consignments for this Place landed out of the Lord Clive at Vizagapatam have been all received here in good order & Account Current Fort St. George is duely credited for the same.

I am very respectfully
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
John Pybus.

Mazulipatam
20th. October 1763.

List of Cloth on hand.

At Mazulipatam.
Long Cloth Ordy. Brown Embaled 24 Bales

	Corge.	Ps.
At Bandarmalanka		
Long Cloth fine..	20	10
Do. Middling	26	15
Do. Ordinary	36	14
Corge ..	83	19

No. 131.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am sorry I have Occasion to acquaint you, of there having been here a Violent Gale of Wind between the 21st. & 22d. Instant. It began about 8 O' Clock at Night and Continued Increasing till about 3 the Next Morning when it raged from West South West, with such force and fury, that Trees Houses & in short every thing yielded to its prevailing Force, At Cuddalore the Flag Staff, Hospital & Barracks with many Houses are either down, or Shatterd, and at New town several people have perished, most of the Houses destroyed, and about five hundred of the largest Trees in the Avenues blown up by their Roots. Witherto [*sic*] I have received no Accounts from the Country, which makes me think it has been less severe I hope it will prove so and am with due respect;

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
John Calland.

Cuddalore
23d. October 1763.

No. 132.

To the Hble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed I have the Honor to transmit you the accounts of this Settlement for last Month and am very respectfully

Honble Sir & Sirs

Mazulipm. Your very Obedient and most humble Servant

26th October 1763. John Pybus.

Cloth on hand as ℔ last.

No. 133.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We received your Honored favor of the 23d. Ultimo with the inclosed Bill of Exchange drawn on us by Mr. Hinkel for Pagodas 1875 to your order. As we hope in a Short time to have that sum in Cash by Charles Boucheir Esqr. so for the Convenience of the Conveyance, we should be glad if you would do us the favor to expect the little time till we can pay the Bill by his hands; but if that can't be we are ready to acquit that Sum to your order the very moment we shall be acquainted therewith.

We are with the most perfect Esteem and Consideration.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Fort Dansbory Your most obedient humble Servants

21st. October 1763. Hy. Abbestee.
J. H. Gille.
P. Falk.

No. 134.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Enclosed are the Accounts of this Settlement, for last Month. What Repairs have been made to the Hospital, Barracks &ca. there was immediate Occasion for: or I should not have taken upon me, to have made them, without your permission first obtained.

The Indent of Medicines, for the use of the Hospital You will please to order to be Complied with Mr. Buchanan having acquainted me He is in great need of them.

We are with respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Cuddalore Your most Obedient humble Servant

5th Novr. 1763. John Calland.

List of Cloth on hand.

Brown	.. ..	Bales 54
Washers	.. ..	83½
Beaters	.. ..	16½
Dyers	.. ..	2¾
Embaled	.. ..	20
	Bales ..	176¾

No. 135.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your several Letters of the 30th. of August 3d. and 9th. Ultimo by his Majesty's Ship's Liverpool & Medway, & the Company's Ship Lord Clive.

Before the Receit of your Letter of the 3d. We had stationed the Deptford to return to your Presidency agreable to the plan you have proposed, & as We know at present no better way of employing them, We shall in like manner destine whatever other ships We cannot provide with Cargoes for Europe, to proceed to you with supplies of Grain, & be afterwards disposed of in such way as may be esteem'd most eligible for the Company's Benefitt.

We remark the Quantity of Bales you have detain'd out of our Consignment by the Hawke, of which if you can dispose at your Market it will prove no manner of Inconvenience to us.

Mr. Mc. Donald the Gentleman whom the Company have appointed on their Establishment at Fort Marlbrô was for some time employ'd as an Assistant Engineer on our Fortification's but some Months ago Died of a Fever.

Enclosed is Duplicate of our Letter of the 23d. Ultimo.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servants

Henry Vansittart.
Mm. Mc.Gwire.
Willm. Billers.
John Cartier.
Warren Hastings.
Randh. Marriott.
Henry Watts.

Fort William
the 3p. October 1763.

No. 136.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since our last address to your Honor &ca. ℔ Ship Union, We have been favour'd with your Letter dated the 28th. Ultimo, & shall carefully observe the directions you therein give us.

We must beg leave to represent to your Honor &ca. that finding all the Company's Buildings at this place were greatly in want of Repair we gave orders to the Maistre Bricklayer & Carpenter to deliver us an Estimate of the Expence attending it, which we now enclose you and desire your orders thereupon—give us leave to assure your Honor &ca. that it is an Expence absolutely necessary, as the several Buildings are in a very ruinous condition & it is a doubt whether they will stand long unless they are immediately repaired. Since the Estimate was made the Roofs of the Choultry adjoining to the New Hospital & one of the Seconds Out Houses are fallen in. We also thought it our Duty to enquire into the State of this Garrison, which we found deficient of almost all Military Stores, but that we might learn that with greater Certainty what is absolutely necessary to Put it in a defensible Condition against a Country Power with the present Garrison—We gave orders to Lieutenant Alexander William Smith to let us know his Opinion thereon, which he has communicated to us in the Enclosed Letter, and the Accompanying List of Stores, to which we must beg leave to refer your Honor &ca. but thus much we can farther assure you that there is not a good Firelock & only about 120 lb. Gun Powder in the Garrison.

Your Honor &ca. will have herewith the Accounts for last Month.

The first Journal Entry in August was made by the desire of Mr. Heath & the Sum paid to him for a Mistake in the last Books as your Honor &ca. will observe the Entry Specify's of which we desire your approbation.

We must beg leave to acquaint your Honor &ca. that there is a Mistake in the Invoice of Calicoes sent up on the ship Union, in the charge of washing 166 Corge 10 Ps. of Long Cloth ordinary white, which at Ps. 1. 15 ℔ Corge is Madrass Ps. 235–31–40 Instead of Pagodas 69–13–40 this difference is rectifyed in the Inclosed Invoice the Amount being Currt. Pagodas 16772–1–68 for which we have now debited Account Current Fort St. George.

We request your Honor &ca. will Comply with the remainder of the Indent sent up by Mr. Heath sometime since Consisting of Broad Cloth, Stationary &ca. of which we are in the greatest want.

We are with the greatest Respect

Vizagapatam — Honble Sir & Sirs

26th. October 1763. — Your most Obedient & most humble Servant

John Smith.
George Stratton.
Charles Smith.

LONG CLOTH BROWN IN THE WAREHOUSE COR. 21–18.

AN ESTIMATE OF REPAIRING THE SEVERAL BUILDINGS AT VIZAGAPATAM.

	North Room. Rs. Fs.	Rs. Fs.
Seconds House—		
Beams	3 — —	
Palmeiras & Reapers	15 — —	
Iron Nails	13 — —	
Tiles	7 12 —	
Bricks	5 4 —	
Chunam & Gravel	12 8 —	
Workmen	32 8 —	
Flatt Tiles	2 8 —	91 8 —
Seconds Hall—		
Beams	6 — —	
Palmeras & Reapers	30 — —	
Iron Nails	26 — —	
Tiles	16 8 —	
Chunam & Gravel	20 — —	
Bricks	5 — —	
Workmen	57 8 —	
		161 — —
Seconds South Room—		
Beams	3 — —	
Palmeiras & Reapers	15 — —	
Iron Nails	13 — —	
Tiles	7 12 —	
Bricks	5 4 —	
Chunam & Gravel	12 8 —	
Bricks	2 8 —	
Workmen	32 8 —	91 8 —
Do. East Varanda—		
Beams & Reapers	17 — —	
Iron Nails	13 — —	
Tiles	8 4 —	
Chunam & Gravel	20 — —	
Bricks	3 — —	
Workmen	22 8 —	
		83 12 —
Do. West Varanda—		
Timbers	33 — —	
Palmeras	12 8 —	
Iron Nails	9 12 —	
Tiles	7 8 —	
Chunam	15 — —	
Jaggaree	10 — —	
Workmen	17 8 —	
		105 4 —
Do. Two Chunam Godowns—		
Beams	10 — —	
Reapers	20 — —	
Coir	5 — —	
Tiles	11 — —	
Iron Nails	8 2 —	
Chunam	5 — —	
Workmen	25 — —	
		84 2 —
Do. Cookroom & Carpenters yard		84 2 —
Do. Two Godowns		15 12 —
	Carried over	717 0 0

AN ESTIMATE OF REPAIRING THE SEVERAL BUILDINGS AT VIZAGAPATAM—*cont.*

	Rs. fs.	Rs. fs.
Brought over ..		717 — —
At the Mettoo Gate the Seapoy Guard house—		
Timbers for Doors—		
Windows & Frames	20 — —	
Beams	20 — —	
Palmeras	60 — —	
Bricks	50 — —	
Chunam & Gravel	30 — —	
Jaggaree	6 — —	
Tiles	30 — —	
Workmen	100 — —	
Iron	30 — —	
	—— ——	346 — —
Powder Godown & Seapoy Barracks at the black rock		
Reapers		
Bricks		100 — —
Chunam & Gravel & c[a].		
Workmen & Iron		
Barracks at the Main Guard—		
Timbers	20 — —	
Palmeras	60 — —	
Iron Nails	25 — —	
Tiles	20 — —	
Chunam & Gravel	10 — —	
Workmen	40 — —	
	—— ——	175 — —
Varanda—		
Palmeras	20 — —	
Timbers	15 — —	
Chunam	10 — —	
Tiles Reapers Coir &c[a].	40 — —	
Workmen	30 — —	
Jaggaree	12 — —	
	—— ——	127 — —
The New Great Hospital & Choultry—		
Timbers	80 — —	
Palmeras	300 — —	
Iron Nails	60 — —	
Tiles	88 — —	
Chunam & Jaggaree	140 — —	
Bricks	20 — —	
Workmen	150 — —	
	—— ——	838 — —
Carpenters Yard and Poultry— Palmeras		
Iron Nails		
Timbers		
Chunam & Gravel	..	100 — —
Jaggaree		
Workmen		
The Military & Seapoy Guards are estimated at	..	100 — —
The Smiths Yard, Seapoy's Place &c[a]. within the Garden will Cost	..	100 — —
The Garden House Hall & Godowns &c[a]. is in want of repair and is estimated at	..	300 — —
The Horse Stable & adjoining Godown—		
Palmeras & Tiles	40 — —	
Workmen	150 — —	
Chunam & Gravel	35 — —	
Jaggaree	10 — —	
	—— ——	235 — —
Carried over Rs. ..		3138 — —

AN ESTIMATE OF REPAIRING THE SEVERAL BUILDINGS AT VIZAGAPATAM—*cont.*

	Rs.	fs.	Rs.	fs.
The Fort House is in want of many Windows & doors the Terrass leakes in several places and the Godowns for the Cloth underneath new paved ..	..		100	— —
Repairing the Sorting Godown is estimated at ..	..		50	— —
The Warehouse & Storehouse Godowns is estimated at	..		150	— —
For repairing the painting Godown—				
Timbers	30	— —		
Palmeras	30	— —		
Reapers	16	— —		
Tiles	20	— —		
Bricks	10	— —		
Chunam	15	— —		
Iron	13	— —		
Workmen	40	— —		
			174	— —
For the old Hospital near the Washers Godown—				
Timbers	30	— —		
Iron	37	— —		
Tiles	16½	— —		
Chunam	10	— —		
Reapers	18	— —		
Workmen	34	— —		
			145	8 —
A Rupees ..			3757	8 —

To JOHN SMITH ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

Agreable to your orders I have taken a Servey of this Garrison, but before I represent a State of it, I must first beg leave to deliver it as my Opinion that the Garrison in it's present Situation cannot long be defended against a Country Power. The reasons on which I ground my Opinion & the Several Additions & Repairs to putt the Garrison in a proper State, are as follows.

On the Fortify'd Line from the River West to the East there are 22 Embrascurs, half of which are without Guns.

The Battery to the Ferry to the Southward of the Mosque Hill, will want 3 Guns when it is repaired, which must be done, otherwise that Side of the Town will be entirely open.

Between the Southward end of the Companys Storehouse and the Mosque Hill the River is fordable and may be passed by any Country force without opposition to prevent this as well as secure all the River, defend the Grand Magazine & all that side of the Town, a facine Battery of three Guns might be erected, for a trifling Expence.

When the foresaid Batterys are compleated, the Fortify'd Line fill'd with Guns & the Stores mentioned in the annex'd List in the Place, it can be defended against a Country Force with the present Garrison.

I must also beg leave to observe to you that the Battery on the Point call'd Byer's Battery is only in want of a Parapet & Embrascurs which if you think necessary might be repaired for a trifle, and when mounted with Five Guns wou'd be of great Service to defend the Mouth of the River, the East Side of the Town & all the road.

You will be pleased to give orders for removing the Sand on both Sides the fortify'd Line to the Eastward, which the eddy of Wind throws up Continually & renders that part of the Fortifications useless if it's not kept always clear.

I have the Honor to Subscribe myself

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient humble Servant

ALEXR. WM. SMITH.

VIZAGAPM.
THE 30TH. SEPTEMR. 1763.

A LIST OF GUNS, SMALL ARMS, AMMUNITION & MILITARY STORES WANTING IN THE GARRISON OF VIZAGAPATAM VIZT.

Guns	Twenty four Pounders	2
	Eighteen Pounders	3
	Twelve Dº.	3
	Six Dº.	4
	Four Dº.	3
	Three Dº.	4
Curriages, Spunge Staves & Ladles of each		19
Round Shot, two hundred Rounds for each Gun		3,800
Grape Dº. Dº.		3,800
Powder Horn's		19

(N.B.)—If the Battery on the Point Call'd Boyers is Repaired there will be two more Six Pounders wanted with their Carriage, Spunge Staves Ladles &cª.

Lead for Aprons to the Guns & Musquet Balls.

Tarr & Paint for the Guns		
Port Fires		1,000
Tubes		1,000
Blue Lights		100
Quick Match		..
Barrels of Powder		500
Powder Sieves		3
Hand Granader filled		500
Stand of Arms Compleat		200
Musquet Balls		5,000
Flints		5,000
Serjeants Swords		6
Slings		100
Rope	Fathoms	200
Pack thread	Scaines	100
Moulds for making Musquet Balls	Sett	1
These Articles can be made at this Place. Frogs		50
Prickers		20
Match, either Europe or Country		..
Belts		50
Bayonets Scabards		50
Tumbrils		2
Cartridge Boxes		100
Transport Carriage		1
Ramrods		200
Hammers Pickers and Worms		300
Wax Cloth		

Cloth for making Great Gun Cartridges & paper for making Small Dº.

ALEXR. WM. SMITH.

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 30TH. SEPR. 1763.

No. 137.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Letter of the 17th. I received a few days past. It was with particular Pleasure I perused the Remarks made on the Cloth sent from hence on the Plassey the more so, as it certainly must have met with your Approbation.

On The Receipt of your Letter, Advertisements were immediately fixed at the usual Places, Adviseing of the Outcry to be made the 1st. of next Month, of those Countries the Nabob has lately Assign'd to the Company & I hope they were in due time, to be a Service, to the Sale.

What Cloth I have now on hand I can venture to promise your Honor &ca. the End of January; but not more, as the Season is very unfavourable at present for Curing of it, besides those Merchants who have Balances in their hands particularly Streshelaputty & Nella Chitty are very backward in bringing in their Cloth I have said all I can to them, but it has no Effect. What depends on me Your Honor &ca. may assure yourselves of & am with due Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient humble Servant

John Calland.

Cuddalore
26th. Novr. 1763.

List of Cloth on Hand.

Brown	26	Bales
Washers	125	
Beaters	21½	
Dyers	4½	
Embaled	20	
Bales	197	

No. 138.

To the Honble Robt. Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been honor'd with your Commands of the 17th. Instant to which I shall now reply.

The Remarks and Observations you have been pleased to inclose me on the Cloths from this place shall you may be assured be very particularly attended to & the Defects complained of, remedied, as far as may be possible.

I have acquainted Gahin Labdeen that his Proposals for the Farm of the Pettah Juncan & Hydrabad Customs have been accepted & he has enter'd upon the Management of that Business. I have likewise given the same Information to Rustum Ally Cawn & Meer Said Hussian whose proposals for the Mazulipatam & Ponracca Salt Farm you have been pleased to accept, but they decline acting as Managers till they are acquainted with the Tenor of

the Cowle you shall be pleased to send them giving for reason that unless the Conditions on which they proposed to rent this Farm are Assented to, they cannot take Charge of it.

I have made Enquiry whether any other Person of Credit was inclined to rent Narsipore Town on the same terms offer'd by Vencataramrauze the Muglatore Rajah, but can meet with no Bidders as the last Renter was a considerable Loser by it, I have therefore agreably to the Permission you have been pleased to give me, acquainted Vencataramrauze that his Proposals are accepted, & I do not apprehend any Inconveniencies can attend this Town's being in his Possession, as he farms at present (as Renter of Tonduro Bondarra to which it belongs) the Town of Maddepollam, which Joins to that of Narsipore, & I have never heard and Complaints of him from the Inhabitants, The Force he maintains so long as he keeps on terms of Friendship with us which it is at present much his Interest to do, will be no inconvenience to us, and should a Change in his Situation & Circumstances Occasion a Change in his disposition towards us, it would be of little Consequence whether he or any one else was Renter of the Town of Nassipore as it is within three miles of his Fort & he might possess himself of or destroy it whenever he pleased. He was very assisting in supplying our Troops with Provision & Necessaries when Colonel Forde attacked this Place, has always shewn a particular Attachment to the English, has been ever punctual in his payments & bears a very respectable good Character in the Country, so that I flatter myself he will not be found hereafter undeserving the Favor you have been pleased to shew towards him.

I shall be mindful to dispatch to you as early as possible in January all the Cloth that can be got in readiness by that time, which I may Venture to Compute will be at least three hundred Bales, but I shall in a few days be able to advise you with more Certainty.

I shall dispatch to morrow ten thousand Pagodas to the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam conformable to your Orders which is all I can at present spare.

I have given notice to the Merchants this way, of the demand there is likely to be for Grain at your Market, which I shall endeavor to prevail on them to import to you as far as I am able agreable to what you are pleased to recommend.

Inclosed I have the Honor to transmit You the Accounts of this place for last Month.

I beg leave to Congratulate the Honble Robert Palk Esqr. on his Accession to the Government & to wish him much success. I am very Respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your very Obedient & most humble Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

MAZULIPATAM

27TH. NOVR. 1763.

LIST OF CLOTH ON HAND.

Embaled brown Long Cloth Ordy. 24 Bales.
At Bandarmalanka At the Wash.

Long Cloth Ordy.	.. ..	Ce.	87 12	—
Do.	Middl.		74 12	—
Do.	Fine		50 15	—
		Corge.	212 19	—

No. 139.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have had the Honor to receive your Letter of the 17th. Ultimo, & it gives us inexpressible Concern to hear of the Loss of the Bales We sent up to your honor &ca. on the Ship Union.

It is impossible for us to say with any Certainty what number of Bales We may be able to provide for the January Dispatch, As We are obliged to reject a great part of what the Merchants bring in, it being very much Inferior to the Sortments usually taken, the Cloth on hand is expressed at the foot herof, & your honor &ca. may depend on our utmost Endeavors being usued [*sic*] to get as large a Quantity as possible. We shall write to Mr. Pybus to assist us with Cash towards carrying on our Investment.

Your honor &ca. depend on our promoting the Importation of Grain to Madrass, as much as lays in our power.

The Cowles for the Walteer New Salt Pans & the Vizagapatam Arrack Rent expiring last month, We have relet them by publick Outcry for two years, the former to Pullah Vencannah for one thousand two hundred & fifty six Rupees (1256) ℔ Anuum, which We have the Pleasure to observe exceeds the last Years rent by five hundred & fifty six Rupees & the latter to Mary Chitty Chomona, for one thousand & Seven Rupees ℔ Annum, which also exceeds the last years Rent by six hundred & two Rupees.

Enclosed we now send the Accounts of this Settlement for the Months October & November.

We most sincerely congratulate Mr. Palk on his Succession to the Government Which we have publish'd here by a discharge of Cannon & Small Arms.

We have the honor to remain with the most perpect [*sic*] respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Vizagapatam — Your most Obedient & most Obliged humble Servants

the 5th. December 1763.

John Smith.
George Stratton.
Charles Smith.

Cloth on hand—

							ps.
At the Wash	..	..	..	..	Coe.	103	10
In the Warehouse	..	..	..	..	..	6	1
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No. 140.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Letter of the 7th. Instant & on receipt of it, let Streshelaputty & Nella Chitty both know what you expected of them & the Consequence that would attend their failure in it. They reassured me of their doing their Utmost a thing they have so often done & so little fulfilled, that I place no great Confidence in it, I can only assure you, they shall not want Importunity.

The Renters of Chinnamanaickpollam & Nadapet have likewise fully made known to them Your Intention in obtaining the Grant of these Villages from the Nabob & seem so thoroughly Sensible, that Encouragment & good treatment of the Weavers, are the only means they have of receiving any Benefit by their Cowle, that I have the Strongest Assurance from them, of their doing every thing in their power to obtain the desired End; which if they adhere to Your motive Cannot fail of being Answer'd as they are Certainly Capable of being of great Advantage to the Company's Investment.

The Almost incessant Rain since my last have prevented me making any great Progress in Curing, or Embaling my Cloth However as the Monsoon seems to be now broke & fair Weather Sett in, I hope to make up for the lost time & so fulfill my Promise.

The Accounts for last Month comes enclosed & I am

Honble Sir & Sirs

Cuddalore — Your most Obedient humble Servant

14th. Decemr. 1763. — John Calland.

List of Cloth remaining on hand.

Washers	.. ..	157 Bales
Beaters	.. ..	21½
Dyers	.. ..	11½
Embaled	.. ..	20
	Bales	204 [*sic*]

No. 141.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letters of the 28th. & 29th. September with 1000 Stand more of small Arms by the Manilha Snow.

From the present Situation of our affairs We cannot depend upon the arrival of our Salt Petre from Patna so as to dispatch two Ships to you, by the time you have Limitted in your Letter of the 29th. We have therefore determined to dispatch to you one Ship about the end of December with 250 Tons of Salt Petre, & leave it to your honor &ca. to fill up her Tonnage for Europe in the best manner you can.

The Ship Lord Clive will also be dispatch'd to you about the middle of December with the West Coast Stores from hence, to receive on board whatever Articles you may have to send, & proceed to that Presidency.

We are

FORT WILLIAM
THE 10TH. NOVEMR. 1763.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient hble Servants

HENRY VAN SITTART.
WARREN HASTINGS.
RANDH. MARRIOTT.
HENRY WATTS.

No. 142.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Inclosed I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this Settlement for last Month, & by this Conveyance you will be Pleased to receive the Books of this Settlement ending 30th. April last.

In my last I advised you that I expected I shou'd have three hundred Bales in readiness by the middle or latter end of January, which is the most I dare venture to Promise but you may be assured no Pains shall be spared to prevail on the Merchants to bring their Cloth as early as Possible.

I am very respectfully

MAZULIPATAM
13TH. DECEMBER 1763.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient humble Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

LIST OF CLOTH ON HAND.

Embaled Long Cloth Ordy. Brown 24 Bales.
At the Wash at Bandarmalanka.

Long Cloth Ordy.	.. ..	Corge	124	
Middling	.. ..		85	
Fine	.. ..		64	
Izzarees	.. ..		7	10
		Corge	280	10

No. 143.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This is to advise, that Ramalinga the Porto Novo Merchant, has laden on Bullocks for your Place, Long Cloth Fine 12 Call, Twenty four Corge (24) & Worriarpollam 8 Call, Fifty Six Corge twelve Pieces (56.12).

I am with respect

CUDDALORE
20TH. DECEMR. 1763.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant

JOHN CALLAND.

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